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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Twenty-Eighth Regular Session
OF
THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION

HELD AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
RICHMOND, VA., MAY 1-4, 1928

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 1928.

The Southern Christian Convention, Inc., met in its Twenty-eighth Regular Session in the First Christian Church, Richmond, Va., and was called to order at 2 o'clock. In the absence of Dr. L. E. Smith, President, who was detained by a funeral, the Convention was called to order by Dr. N. G. Newman, Vice-President.

Song service led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Afternoon worship conducted by Dr. C. C. Ryan, pastor Convention Church.

The roll of Conferences was called, and the following were enrolled (this includes the enrollment for the entire session):

ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

Ministers—G. D. Hunt, E. M. Carter.
Laymen—V. E. Kitchens, C. J. Hester, J. F. Brown.

GEORGIA AND ALABAMA CONFERENCE.

Ministers—J. D. Dollar, W. C. Carpenter.
Laymen—

EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Ministers—J. Lee Johnson, W. C. Wicker, R. L. Williamson.
Laymen—L. L. Vaughan, K. B. Johnson, J. A. Kimball and W. A. Newman.

EASTERN VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Ministers—J. L. Foster, W. D. Harward, W. H. Denison, J. W. Fix, W. C. Hook, L. L. Lassiter, F. C. Lester, J. F. Morgan, N. G. Newman, O. D. Poythress, G. A. Pearce, C. C. Ryan, W. W. Staley, J. M. Roberts, J. G. Truitt, I. W. Johnson, H. S. Hardcastle, T. N. Lowe, E. B. White, M. F. Allen, L. E. Smith, H. C. Caviness.

Laymen—R. B. Odom, P. J. Kernodle, Mrs. M. L. Bryant, B. D. Jones, Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Mrs. J. B. Gay, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. J. M. Rabey, Jesse F. West, Jr., Judge J. F. West, J. A. Williams, Dr. J. E. Rawls, M. W. Hollowell, Dr. J. W. Manning, J. P. Dalton, W. E. MacClenny, I. T. Byrd, L. H. Heuber, L. H. Norflett.

NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

Ministers—C. H. Rowland, W. S. Alexander, C. E. Newman, P. H. Fleming, H. E. Crutchfield, R. A. Whitten, T. F. Wright, S. A. Bennett, W. M. Jay, J. S. Carden, P. T. Klapp.

Laymen—Mrs. C. V. Dunn, W. E. Cook, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, Mrs. R. A. Whitten, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, W. B. Truitt, Mrs. W. J. Pierce.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

Ministers—G. O. Lankford, T. E. White.

Laymen—D. R. Fonville, E. L. Moffitt, Mrs. J. D. Kernodle, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Miss Essie Mae Cotten, Miss Sadie Fonville.

VIRGINIA VALLEY CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

Ministers—A. W. Andes, B. J. Earp, W. B. Fuller.

Laymen—A. S. Turner.

Moved and carried that the matter of seating the Revs. J. D. Dollar and W. C. Carpenter, of the Georgia and Alabama Conference, as delegates be referred to the Credentials Committee.

Dr. W. A. Harper, president Elon College; Dr. S. L. Beougher, president Bethlehem College; C. D. Johnston, superintendent Orphanage; W. K. Holt, president board of trustees of Orphanage; J. M. Darden, Acting Mission Secretary; L. L. Vaughan, chairman Board of Publications, were ruled to be voting members of the Convention by virtue of their office.

Announcement of committees:

Credentials—J. F. West, Jr., T. J. Holland, R. A. Larrick.
Press—R. L. Williamson, C. M. Cannon, P. J. Kernodle.
Finance—J. A. Williams, L. R. Jones, J. A. Kimbal.
Nominations—J. E. West, L. L. Vaughan, C. D. Johnston.
Resolutions—G. O. Lankford, H. C. Simpson, O. F. Smith.
Apportionments—W. W. Staley, I. A. Luke, K. B. Johnson.

The President appointed on the Credentials Committee Rev. J. G. Truitt and Dr. G. O. Lankford to take the place of T. J. Holland and R. A. Larrick.

The following were welcomed and invited to have seats in the Convention as deliberative members: Judge O. W. Whitelock, manager

Christian Publishing Association (talk); Rev. and Mrs. D. P. Barrett, missionaries to Porto Rico (talk by Mr. Barrett); Dr. W. P. Minton, Secretary Foreign Missions, General Convention; Dr. F. P. Ensminger, superintendent Congregational Church of the Carolinas (talk); Rev. S. E. Madren, in charge of mission work in Carroll County, Va.; Miss Lucy Eldredge, Secretary Young People's Work, General Convention; Miss Pattie Coghill, Secretary Religious Education, Southern Christian Convention; Mrs. Athella M. Howsare, President Woman's Mission Board, General Convention.

Partial report of Credentials Committee submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

We, your Committee on Credentials, after having conferred with Revs. J. D. Dollar and W. C. Carpenter, of the Georgia and Alabama Conference, recommend that they be seated; and Rev. L. H. Heuber, assistant pastor of the First Christian Church, Portsmouth, Va., and L. B. Norfleet, of Franklin, Va., we refer to the Executive Committee of the Eastern Virginia Conference for action.

J. F. WEST, JR.,
G. O. LANKFORD,
J. G. TRUITT,
Committee.

Moved and carried that the Convention send a letter of greeting and expression of regret, on account of his absence from the Convention, to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary of the Convention.

Announcement was made of the death of Mrs. J. G. Bishop.

Convention adjourned.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 8 o'clock.

Devotional services in charge of Dr. C. C. Ryan, pastor.

Anthem by the choir.

Scripture lesson read by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Prayer led by Dr. P. H. Fleming.

Anthem by the choir.

Address, "Having Eyes, We See Not," by Dr. L. E. Smith, President.

Rev. A. Lee Rudd, of the Baptist Church, and Rev. R. F. Brown, of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be instructed to send greetings to Rev. S. C. Harrell, H. W. Elder and Mr. P. J. Carlton.

Convention adjourned till tomorrow A. M. Benediction by Dr. C. C. Ryan.

SECOND DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1928.

Convention met at 9 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Worship led by Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Roll call. Minutes read and adopted.

Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, submitted his report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Report of Board of Polity and Finance was read. It was moved and carried that the report be considered by items. The report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF POLITY AND FINANCE.

At the call of Dr. L. E. Smith, President of the Southern Christian Convention, the Board of Polity and Finance met at Elon College, N. C., Tuesday morning, May 25, 1926, at 9 o'clock.

Present at this meeting were Dr. L. E. Smith, Col. E. E. Holland, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Rev. H. W. Elder, K. B Johnson and R. A. Larrick. On invitation of the chairman, Dr. W. C. Wicker, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Dr. W. A. Harper and Dr. W. T. Walters met with the board.

The board was called to order by Dr. L. E. Smith. Prayer by Dr. J. O. Atkinson. The board then organized as follows: Dr. L. E. Smith, chairman; Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, vice-chairman; R. A. Larrick, secretary. The following were elected as an executive committee: Dr. L. E. Smith, Col. E. E. Holland and Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

The chairman stated that Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, who was elected a member of this board, had advised him that she would prefer not to serve as a member of the board. Rev. H. S. Hardcastle was elected to fill this vacancy.

It was voted that the Benevolence Commission proceed at once to promote the benevolence budget.

On motion, carried, the Church calendar as recommended by the General Convention was adopted by this board.

Dr. I. W. Johnson and Rev. H. S. Hardcastle were elected a committee to prepare a report prescribing the duties of all the officers and committees of this board.

On motion, passed, the bond, for $20,000, of the Convention Treasurer, Dr. W. C. Wicker, was approved and the chairman of this board was designated as custodian of this bond.

A motion was made and passed that, with the consent of the chairman of the Board of Education, the chairman of the Board of Religious Education and the chairman of the Mission Board, the Orphanage shall be permitted to take a special Thanksgiving offering in November.

On motion adjourned, subject to call of the chairman.

L. E. SMITH, *Chairman.*
I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

RECOMMENDATIONS BY HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD THROUGH BOARD OF POLITY AND FINANCE.

First: There shall be appointed by the President of the Convention, at each session thereof, a "Board of Finance," consisting of not less than three nor more than five members.

Second: Said board shall elect its own officers and shall hold meetings whenever called by its chairman.

Third: Said board shall prepare and submit to the Convention at each session thereof statements of all estimated receipts and expenditures for the succeeding biennium, shall make all assessments for and all apportionments to the different enterprises of the Church, submit the same to the President of the Convention for his approval and also to the Convention for its approval, and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Convention. The presidents of Elon and Bethlehem Colleges, the superintendent of the Orphanage, and the chairman of the several boards, commissions and committees of the Convention shall submit to said Board of Finance each year a full and complete statement of its financial needs for the ensuing year.

Fourth: Said board shall have authority to select some suitable person, at a salary to be agreed upon, whose duty it shall be to visit the several Conferences represented in the Convention, present the needs of the Church, and make collections to meet the same.

Fifth: That the apportionments for 1928-30 annually be $25,000, to be distributed as follows:

Superannuation	$ 3,000
Convention	2,000
Publications	4,000
Convention obligations	12,750
Undistributed	3,250
Total	$25,000

That the benevolence goal shall be $113,500 annually, to be distributed as follows:

Missions	$ 45,000
Orphanage	30,000
Colleges	34,000
Christian education	4,500
Total	$113,500

That the Mission Board and Orphanage have annual offerings Easter and Thanksgiving, respectively; access to the Sunday Schools for monthly offerings, and to individuals at any time.

That the colleges have quarterly Sunday School offerings and access to individuals at any time.

That the Board of Christian Education have access to Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies and to the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions.

That the Church year for instructional purposes be divided as follows: January—interdenominational co-operation; February, March—foreign missions; April—evangelism; May and June—home missions; July, August, September, October—education; November, December—orphanage and stewardship.

Sixth: Individual collections may be made by the President of the colleges, superintendent of the Orphanage, and the chairman or secretary of any board, commission or committee, at any time, but all such collections so made shall be reported to said board and considered by it when making its apportionments.

Seventh: Collections may be taken by the Sunday Schools of the Churches for the Orphanage, for missions, for any other agency of said Church, but the amount of such collections shall be reported to said Finance Board by the agency receiving the same, and shall be considered by said board when making its apportionments.

Eighth: The Convention Treasurer shall submit, whenever required by the chairman of said board, full and complete financial statements, and shall also submit to the Convention full and complete biennual statements. Said statements shall show amounts collected from actual amounts paid by each Conference.

Ninth: All payments made to the several agencies of the Convention shall be by draft on the Treasurer, signed by the President of the Convention and countersigned by the Secretary of the Convention.

Tenth: No debts shall be contracted beyond allotment by any board, commission or committee of the Convention without the approval of said Board of Finance.

Eleventh: All rules or regulations of the Convention in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

L. E. SMITH, *Chairman.*
I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

Report of the Treasurer was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE.

1927.			
Oct. 11.	Samuel Earman, Treas.	$ 105.00	
Dec. 13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	200.00	
24.	C. D. Johnston, Supt., draft 348	.....	$ 305.00
		$ 305.00	$ 305.00

COLLEGE FUND.

1926.			
Apr. 22.	Balance	$ 150.30	
Oct. 28.	J. W. Payne, Treas.	179.31	
Nov. 30.	I. W. Johnston, Sec.	1,495.00	
	Samuel Earman, Treas.	235.00	
Dec. 7.	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	117.38	
10.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	379.39	
	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	860.25	
	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	463.00	
22.	T. C. Amick, Treas., draft No. 232	.....	$ 3,582.94
	S. L. Beougher, Pres., draft No. 231	.....	296.69
1927.			
Oct. 11.	Samuel Earman, Treas.	214.00	
31.	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	49.94	
	J. W. Payne, Treas.	208.76	
Dec. 13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	360.00	
16.	I. W. Johnston, Sec.	1,600.00	
26.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	450.00	
6.	S. L. Beougher, Pres., draft No. 329	.....	206.76
	S. L Beougher, Pres., draft No. 330	.....	49.94
24.	T. C. Amick, Treas., draft No. 343	.....	2,624.00
1928.			
Apr. 26.	Balance	.....	2.00
	Balance	$ 6,762.33	$ 6,762.33

CONVENTION MISSIONS.

1926.			
Oct. 28.	J. W. Payne, Treas.	$ 64.04	
Nov. 10.	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	405.00	
30.	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	1,100.00	
	Samuel Earman, Treas.	236.00	
Dec. 7.	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	117.38	
Oct 17.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 206	.....	405.00
Dec. 10.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	379.39	
	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	860.25	
	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	463.00	
13.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 228	.....	3,240.67

1927.			
Jan. 11.	R. W. Malone	20.61	
Sep. 30.	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	499.50	
Oct. 11.	Samuel Earman, Treas.	77.00	
31.	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	79.90	
	J. W. Payne, Treas.	74.55	
Nov. 12.	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	1,400.00	
	J. O. Atkinson, sec., draft No. 326	.....	1,400.00
Dec. 13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	275.00	
26.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	450.00	
9.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 333	.....	77.02
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 335	.....	79.90
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 337	.....	675.00
24.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 345	.....	1,080.95
1928.			
Apr. 26.	Overdraft	456.92	
	Totals	$ 6,958.54	$ 6,958.54

CONVENTION FUND.

1926.			
Apr. 22.	Balance	.....	$ 3,027.61
May 1.	Interest	$ 215.38	
	Stanley Harrell, Com. on Pub.	30.00	
	L. E. Smith, for banquet	140.00	
5.	J. F. Burnett, draft No. 155	.....	500.00
	L. E. Smith, draft No. 151	.....	27.70
	Mrs. J. S. Rollings, draft No. 148	.....	25.00
	I. W. Johnson, Sec., draft No. 150	.....	53.40
11.	Washington-Duke Hotel, draft No. 254	.....	140.00
5.	C. M. Cannon, draft No. 154	.....	10.70
	W. C. Wicker, draft No. 152	.....	400.00
	Central Publishing Co., draft No. 153	.....	39.75
	H. S. Hardcastle, draft No. 149	.....	5.10
25.	H. W. Elder, draft No. 155	.....	30.20
	R. A. Larrick, draft No. 156	.....	39.54
Jun. 4.	West & Withers, draft No. 157	.....	100.00
21.	L. C. Anderson, draft No. 160	.....	17.50
July 3.	L. C. Anderson, draft No. 161	.....	35.00
	A. D. Pate & Co., draft No. 162	.....	7.50
22.	Sion M. Lynam, draft No. 164	.....	25.00
Oct. 21.	L. E. Smith, Pres.	746.91	
28.	J. W. Payne, Treas.	32.02	
Aug. 10.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 165	.....	205.95
27.	L. C. Anderson, draft No. 175	.....	27.00
28.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 176	.....	333.33
Sep. 6.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 177	.....	333.33
30.	L. C. Anderson, draft No. 200	.....	35.00
25.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 198	.....	100.00
30.	L. E. Smith, Pres., draft No. 201	.....	11.92
Oct. 11.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 202	.....	333.33
18.	L. E. Smith, Pres.	162.00	
Nov. 4.	L. E. Smith, Pres.	113.10	
	L. E. Smith, Pres.	271.42	
10.	L. E. Smith, Pres.	240.00	
15.	L. E. Smith, Pres.	138.25	
30.	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	740.00	
	Samuel Earman, Treas.	61.00	
Dec. 4.	L. E. Smith, Pres.	499.92	
7.	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	55.24	

Oct.	15.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 203	.....	50.00
Nov.	6.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 204	.....	554.00
	17.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 205	.....	50.00
Dec.	10.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas	85.68	
		H. C. Simpson, Treas	194.25	
		W. J. Ballentine, Treas	100.00	
	16.	L. E. Smith, Pres	271.15	
	18.	L. E. Smith, Pres	199.03	
	15.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 230	.....	50.00
	9.	J. O. Atkinson, draft No. 225	.....	100.00
	15.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 229	.....	554.00
1927.				
Jan.	11.	L. E. Smith, Pres	194.15	
Feb.	1.	L. E. Smith, Pres	290.70	
		L. E. Smith, Pres	200.00	
	28.	L. E. Smith, Pres	306.50	
Mar.	19.	L. E. Smith, Pres	60.50	
		L. E. Smith, Pres	300.00	
Jan.	10.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 238	.....	554.00
	18.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 239	.....	50.00
Feb.	4.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 240	.....	554.00
	9.	J. O. Atkinson, draft No. 254	.....	50.00
	15.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 265	.....	50.00
Mar.	16.	L. E. Smith, Pres	300.00	
Apr.	4.	L. E. Smith, Pres	148.70	
Mar.	14.	L. E. Smith, Pres	106.60	
Feb.	21.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 266	.....	681.55
Apr.	5.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 267	.....	554.00
Mar.	17.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 268	.....	50.00
	11.	W. H. Denison, draft No. 269	.....	250.00
Apr.	8.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 270	.....	692.50
	20.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 271	.....	50.00
	26.	J. O. Atkinson, draft No. 272	.....	25.00
May	9.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 273	.....	554.00
	19.	L. E. Smith, Pres	125.10	
Jun.	13.	L. E. Smith, Pres	226.85	
	18.	L. E. Smith, Pres	138.75	
		L. E. Smith, Pres	47.00	
	24.	L. E. Smith, Pres	63.75	
July	5.	L. E. Smith, Pres	143.94	
		W. C. Wicker, loan	500.00	
Aug.	2.	L. E. Smith, Pres	337.49	
	20.	L. E. Smith, Pres	66.16	
Sep.	14.	L. E. Smith, Pres	126.09	
May	27.	L. E. Smith, Pres., draft No. 284	.....	17.43
	23.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 283	.....	50.00
Jun.	9.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 286	.....	554.00
	14.	W. C. Wicker, Treas., draft No 287	.....	50.00
		West & Withers, draft No. 288	.....	100.00
	18.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 289	.....	50.00
July	9.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 290	.....	554.00
	15.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 291	.....	50.00
	9.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 292	.....	692.50
Aug.	15.	Eugenia Gage, draft No. 293	.....	50.00
	17.	J. O. Atkinson, draft No. 298	.....	50.00
Oct.	14.	L. E. Smith, Pres	218.04	
	11.	Samuel Earman, Treas	212.00	
	31.	H. B. Floyd, Treas	49.93	
		J. W. Payne, Treas	37.27	

Aug.	19.	Sion M. Lynam, draft No. 299	.....	25.00
Sep.	10.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 294	.....	554.00
	26.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 301	.....	50.00
Oct.	8.	Atlantic Bank and Trust Co., draft No. 304	.....	507.50
	12.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 305	.....	692.50
	17.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 306	.....	50.00
Nov.	3.	L. E. Smith, Pres	414.00	
	9.	L. E. Smith, Pres	150.50	
		P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 324	.....	554.00
	11.	J. O. Atkinson, draft No. 325	.....	50.00
	16.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 327	.....	50.00
Dec.	12.	L. E. Smith, Pres	320.76	
	13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas	100.00	
	16.	I. W. Johnson, Sec	1,000.00	
	19.	H. C. Simpson, Treas	750.00	
	26.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas	120.00	
		L. E. Smith, Pres	181.75	
	9.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 331	.....	554.00
	17.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 339	.....	50.00
	21.	J. O. Atkinson, draft No. 341	.....	75.00
	31.	L. E. Smith, Pres	121.60	
1928.				
Jan.	12.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 349	.....	554.00
	14.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 350	.....	50.00
Feb.	10.	L. E. Smith, Pres	508.56	
		I. W. Johnson, Sec	770.00	
	9.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 357	.....	554.00
	14.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 358	.....	50.00
	29.	L. E. Smith, Pres	369.80	
Apr.	16.	L. E. Smith, Pres	261.40	
Mar.	6.	Mrs. Annie M. Shepherd, draft No. 359	.....	54.80
	6.	W. H. Denison, draft No. 360	.....	500.00
		P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 361	.....	554.00
	15.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 362	.....	50.00
Apr.	3.	L. E. Smith, Pres., draft No. 363	.....	23.00
	12.	P. J. Kernodle, draft No. 364	.....	554.00
	15.	Geraldine Belsham, draft No. 365	.....	50.00
		Overdraft	142.18	
		Total	$16,733.03	$16,733.03

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1926.				
Oct.	28.	J. W. Payne, Treas	$ 76.85	
Nov.	30.	I. W. Johnson, Sec	1,450.00	
		Samuel Earman, Treas	234.00	
Dec.	7.	H. B. Floyd, Treas	69.04	
	10.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas	379.39	
		H. C. Simpson, Treas	860.25	
		W. J. Ballentine, Treas	463.00	
	13.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 227	.....	$ 3,153.14
Jan.	6.	R. W. Malone, Treas., draft No. 234	.....	379.39
Oct.	11.	Samuel Earman, Treas	77.00	
1927.				
Oct.	31.	H. B. Floyd, Treas	69.90	
		J. W. Payne, Treas	89.46	
Dec.	13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas	360.00	
		I. W. Johnson, Sec	1,535.00	
	19.	H. C. Simpson, Treas	625.00	

26.	J. W. Ballentine, Treas	450.00	
9.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 332	.....	77.74
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 334	.....	69.90
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 336	.....	625.00
13.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 338	.....	360.00
21.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 342	.....	1,250.00
1928.			
Jan. 24.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 346	.....	1,077.72
	Overdraft	254.00	
	Totals	$ 6,992.89	$ 6,992.89

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1926.			
Apr. 22.	Balance	$ 698.55	
12.	W. K. Holt, Treas., draft No. 237	.....	$ 698.55
July 12.	Interest on bonds	90.00	
20.	W. K. Holt, Treas., draft No. 163	.....	90.00
Aug. 25.	T. C. Amick, Bus. Mgr. Int	30.00	
Oct. 28.	J. W. Payne, Treas	64.04	
Sep. 11.	For sale of bonds	3,000.00	
26.	W. K. Holt, Treas., draft No. 199	.....	3,000.00
Oct. 30.	I. W. Johnson, Sec	370.00	
	Samuel Earman, Treas	100.00	
7.	W. B. Floyd, Treas	55.24	
Dec. 10.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas	84.00	
28.	H. C. Simpson, Treas	148.00	
13.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 226	.....	740.78
1927.			
Jan. 4.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas	207.69	
8.	W. K. Holt, Treas., draft No. 235	.....	318.19
Apr. 6.	Chas. D. Johnston, Int. on note	75.00	
July 2.	Chas. D. Johnston, Int. on note	75.00	
5.	W. K. Holt, Treas., draft No. 297	.....	150.00
Oct. 11.	Samuel Earman, Treas	127.00	
31.	H. B. Floyd, Treas	49.93	
	J. W. Payne, Treas	74.55	
Dec. 9.	Chas. D. Johnston, Supt	2,529.17	
13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas	350.00	
16.	I. W. Johnson, Sec	500.00	
19.	H. C. Simpson, Treas	625.00	
26.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas	120.00	
24.	W. K. Holt, Treas., draft No. 347	.....	4,376.65
1928.			
Apr. 26.	Overdraft	1.00	
	Totals	$ 5,585.62	$ 5,585.62

MINISTERIAL EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1926.			
Apr. 22.	Balance	$ 315.27	
Oct. 28.	J. W. Payne, Treas	64.04	
Dec. 10.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas	53.00	
28.	H. C. Simpson, Treas	92.50	
1927.			
Jan. 6.	T. C. Amick, draft No. 237	.....	524.81
Oct. 31.	H. B. Floyd, Treas	49.93	
	J W Payne, Treas	74.55	
Dec. 27.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas	100.00	

20.	W. A. Harper, draft No. 340.....	.....	125.00
24.	W. A. Harper, draft No. 344.....	.....	99.48
1928.			
Jan. 31.	H. C. Simpson, Treas.....	175.00	
Apr. 26.	Balance	.....	175.00
	Totals .....$	924.29	$ 924.29

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

1926.			
Dec. 10.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.....$	78.00	
28.	H C. Simpson, Treas.....	150.00	
22.	J. H. Lightbourne, draft No. 233.....	.....	$ 78.00
1927.			
Jan. 7.	J. H. Lightbourne, draft No. 236.....	.....	150.00
Oct. 11.	Samuel Earman, Treas.....	42.00	
Dec. 13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.....	100.00	
19.	H. C. Simpson, Treas.....	150.00	
26.	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.....	100.00	
1928.			
Apr. 26.	Balance	.....	392.00
	Totals .....$	620.00	$ 620.00

WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN BOARD.

Apr. 22.	Balance .....$	513.30	
May 1.	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Japanese student.....	75.00	
	Mrs. W. T. Walters, N. C. Gen. purpose.....	195.35	
	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Mt. work.....	135.55	
	Mrs W. T. Walters, Japanese S. S.....	12.50	
	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Bible women.....	160.25	
	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Matsuno's salary.....	18.75	
	Mrs. W T. Walters, Japanese work.....	1,000.00	
	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Christian Orphanage.....	85.00	
Apr. 29.	C. D. Johnston, Supt., draft No. 147.....	.....	$ 85.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 244.....	.....	12.50
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 243.....	.....	18.75
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 241.....	.....	1,000.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 246.....	.....	135.35
30.	Mrs. W. R. Sellars, draft No. 240.....	.....	195.35
29.	W. A. Harper, draft No. 239.....	.....	75.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 245.....	.....	160.25
July 22.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Japan.....	258.25	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Bible women.....	25.00	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Japan S. S.....	12.50	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Santa Isabel.....	212.80	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Richmond, Va.....	258.26	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mt. work.....	212.80	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Irene Boone.....	15.00	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Baby Home.....	24.19	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, kindergarten.....	24.18	
Aug. 18.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 171.....	.....	212.80
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 169.....	.....	312.80
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 170.....	.....	258.26
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 168.....	.....	12.50
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 167.....	.....	25.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 174.....	.....	24.18
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 166.....	.....	258.25

	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 175	.....	24.19
	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 172	.....	15.00
Nov. 19.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, for missions	2,619.78	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, home missions	1,468.07	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, home missions	752.80	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, home missions	221.23	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, O'Kelly Memorial	52.08	
20.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 207	.....	357.52
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 219	.....	712.57
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 218	.....	1,110.54
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 224	.....	52.08
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 223	.....	15.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 223	.....	75.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 222	.....	15.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 221	.....	116.23
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 220	.....	40.23
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 217	.....	357.53
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 216	.....	100.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 215	.....	612.55
	J. O Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 214	.....	12.50
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 213	.....	100.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 212	.....	116.25
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 211	.....	87.50
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 209	.....	693.46
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 210	.....	540.00
1927.			
Feb. 18.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mt. work	328.05	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Porto Rico and Japan.	554.92	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Richmond, Va	352.08	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Baby Home	21.00	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, O'Kelly Memorial	44.80	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Ellen Gustin	50.00	
9.	R. W. Malone, draft No. 241	.....	185.29
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 242	.....	166.80
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 243	.....	1.00
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 244	.....	25.00
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 245	.....	47.52
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 246	.....	129.31
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 247	.....	185.29
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 248	.....	166.79
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 249	.....	129.33
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 250	.....	198.72
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 251	.....	21.00
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 252	.....	44.80
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 253	.....	50.00
May 14.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Japan	816.92	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Porto Rico	303.55	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Richmond, Va	736.47	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mt. work	486.47	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Elon Orphanage	45.00	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, O'Kelley Memorial	15.14	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Indian work	20.00	
29.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Ala. Contr	32.69	
Aug. 1.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, foreign missions	687.04	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Porto Rico	216.43	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, American work	20.00	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Ellen Gustin	48.25	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, home missions	613.79	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mt. work	237.77	

	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Baby Home.....	23.25	
May 12.	R. W. Malone, draft No. 274.....	.....	311.06
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 275.....	.....	425.23
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 276.....	.....	5.43
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 277.....	.....	50.00
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 278.....	.....	25.00
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 279.....	.....	296.55
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 280.....	.....	7.00
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 281.....	.....	20.00
	R. W. Malone, draft No. 282.....	.....	311.06
30.	R. W. Malone, draft No. 285.....	.....	32.69
Aug. 3.	J. O. Atkinson, draft No. 295.....	.....	1,846.53
Oct. 31.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Japan.....	2,091.66	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Porto Rico.....	766.49	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Ellen Gustin.....	27.71	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Richmond, Va.....	1,626.59	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mt. work.....	816.65	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Elon Orphanage.....	150.08	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, O'Kelley Memorial....	1.60	
Nov. 19.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Ala. Contr.....	73.30	
3.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 307.....	.....	271.87
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 308.....	.....	1,004.71
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 309.....	.....	118.83
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 310.....	.....	25.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 311.....	.....	12.50
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 312.....	.....	540.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 313.....	.....	68.75
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 314.....	.....	50.00
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 315.....	.....	766.49
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 316.....	.....	27.71
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 317.....	.....	271.88
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 318.....	.....	1,354.71
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 319.....	.....	816.65
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 320.....	.....	1.60
	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 321.....	.....	15.00
	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 322.....	.....	15.00
	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 323.....	.....	120.08
Dec. 5.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 328.....	.....	73.30
1928.			
Jan. 21.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Japan.....	632.37	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Porto Rico.....	177.51	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Franklinville College..	1.74	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, home missions.....	357.18	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mt. work.....	508.39	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Elon Orphanage.....	16.28	
28.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 351.....	.....	632.37
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 352.....	.....	177.51
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 353.....	.....	1.74
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 354.....	.....	357.18
	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 355.....	.....	508.39
	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 356.....	.....	16.28
Apr. 26.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Japan.....	931.81	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Porto Rico.....	316.26	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Richmond, Va.....	1,118.79	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mt. work.....	372.27	
	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Elon Orphanage.....	31.95	
	Balance	.....	4,156.80
	Totals	$24,024.89	$24,024.89

1927.	BENEVOLENCE BUDGET.		
Mar. 19.	R. W. Holland, Jr.	$ 47.63	
Apr. 1.	R. W. Holland, Jr.	43.24	
May 31.	R. W. Holland, Jr.	15.00	
	R. W. Holland, Jr.	18.00	
Jun. 18.	E. P. Jones, Treas., Franklin	225.00	
Aug. 12.	R. W. Holland, Jr., Treas.	16.22	
	R. W. Holland, Jr., Treas.	19.98	
Oct. 14.	R. W. Holland, Jr., Treas.	18.59	
	R. W. Holland, Jr., Treas.	17.74	
Nov. 5.	R. W. Holland, Jr., Treas.	20.11	
Sep. 14.	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 300	.....	$ 75.63
16.	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., draft No. 302	.....	75.63
26.	C. D. Johnston, draft No. 303	.....	8.81
Nov. 26.	I. W. Johnson, Sec., for Franklin Church	100.00	
1928.			
Apr. 26.	Balance	.....	381.44
	Totals	$ 541.51	$ 541.51

1927.	PUBLICATIONS.		
Oct. 11.	Samuel Earman, Treas.	$ 211.00	
Dec. 13.	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	100.00	
1928.			
Apr. 26.	Balance	.....	$ 311.00
	Totals	$ 311.00	$ 311.00

1927.	MRS. WALTERS' MISSION ACCOUNT.		
July 5.	W. T. Walters	$ 100.00	
Oct. 28.	Mrs. W. T. Walters	25.00	
Dec. 12.	Protested check, returned	.....	$ 26.44
13.	Mrs. W. T. Walters	26.14	
1928.			
Jan. 23.	L. E. Smith, from Mr. Richards	200.00	
Apr. 26.	Balance	.....	324.70
	Totals	$ 351.14	$ 351.14

RECAPITULATION OF BALANCES.
April 26, 1928.

College fund	$ 2.00	
Convention missions	.....	$ 456.92
Convention fund	.....	142.18
"Missions"	.81	
Foreign missions	.....	254.00
Superannuation	.....	1.00
Ministerial education	175.00	
Christian education	392.00	
Women's Home and Foreign Board	4,156.80	
Benevolences	381.44	
Publications	311.00	
Mrs. Walters' account	324.70	
Mission check to R. W. Malone	.....	972.02
Check to adjust account by error	79.02	
Balance in bank	.....	3,996.65
Totals	$ 5,822.77	$ 5,822.77

The check for $79.02 should be refunded to the First National Bank, as it was given through mistake.

In closing my report, I wish to express to this Convention my keen appreciation for the confidence reposed in me by electing me fourteen years ago as Treasurer. I keenly appreciate the many courtesies extended to me by the generous-hearted brethren of the Convention during my tenure of office.

During these fourteen years I have handled the following amounts of the Convention's funds, which may be found itemized in my several reports:

1914-1916	$ 15,791.98
1916-1918	27,478.60
1918-1920	84,169.22
1920-1922	88,585.37
1922-1923	41,041.82
1923-1924	33,813.03
1924-1926	68,353.11
1926-1928	70,108.14
Total	$429,341.27

Again thanking you for the confidence which you have so graciously reposed in me and the high honor which you have so generously conferred upon me, I hereby most respectfully submit my report.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

W. C. WICKER,
Treasurer Southern Christian Convention.

On motion, Mr. J. M. Darden, Acting Mission Secretary, was given ten minutes to speak in the interest of missions. Address by Mr. J. M. Darden, Acting Mission Secretary. It was moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. J. M. Darden, Acting Secretary of Missions, for his splendid service.

Report of Board of Superannuation was read by Mr. W. K. Holt and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION.

Your Board of Superannuation held its regular annual meetings since our last report—in December, 1926, and December, 1927. In our report to you at your last session we recommended that each Conference raise at least 10 cents per member, and this was adopted by this Convention; but we have received less than 5 cents per member from the Convention Treasurer.

We had on hand coming to us from one Conference about $2,500, and our anticipation from the Conference was about $3,000 per annum and our appropriations have been from $2,000 to $2,400, which we were hoping to increase, but when we found our income cut off more than one-half we were compelled to cut our apportionments more than one-half or use the $2,500 coming to us from the Conference as referred to. So after much consultation and financing, we decided we must keep the $2,500 as a permanent fund to build to, and at this same time had other disabled ministers come to our attention that we could see the need of twice as much as we had asked the Convention for, so you can see what an embarrassing position we were in, and in December, 1926, we made the following apportionments:

Mrs. Geo. D. Eastes	$ 150.00
Mrs. C. C. Peel	150.00
Rev. J. W. Wellons	100.00
Mrs. L. I. Cox	150.00

Rev. P. T. Klapp	100.00
Rev. J. D. Wicker	150.00
Mrs. Mary Virginia Long	150.00
Mrs. J. P. Barrett	150.00
Rev. C. M. Dollar	100.00
Mrs. B. F. Young	150.00
Mrs. J. I. Jones	50.00
Mrs. Ebbie Moffitt	100.00
Mrs. M. L. Hurley	100.00
Rev. G. R. Underwood	100.00
Amounting to	$1,700.00

paying one-half at once and the other half in July, 1927.

In December, 1927, we made the following apportionments:

Mrs. Geo. D. Eastes	$ 150.00
Rev. P. T. Klapp	100.00
Mrs. C. C. Peel	150.00
Mrs. L. I. Cox	150.00
Mrs. Mary Virginia Long	150.00
Mrs. J. P. Barrett	150.00
Mrs. B. F. Young	150.00
Mrs. J. I. Jones	50.00
Mrs. Ebbie Moffitt	100.00
Rev. G. R. Underwood	100.00
Mrs. C. M. Dollar	100.00
Mrs. Emma Fogleman	100.00
Rev. W. B. Harward	300.00
Rev. H. W. Elder	200.00
Amounting to	$1,950.00

paying one-half at once and the other half (except $50.00 to Rev. H. W. Elder, which has been paid) is to be paid in July of this year.

We have looked into the matter of group insurance for our ministers, but have found that it is not feasible at this time. It would seem that an endowment fund for aged ministers or something similar should engage the attention of this Convention.

We have on hand at this time $3,450.40. After paying balance of $925.00 in July on our apportionments we will have $2,525.40.

We wish to recommend to this Convention that some action be taken that your Board of Superannuation can have at least $3,000 per annum to enable them to meet the urgent needs of our beneficiaries and add a little each year to the $2,500.00 permanent fund, which is drawing 6 per cent interest.

We record with regret the death of the following list of beneficiaries from our list since last report: Rev. P. L. Duke, Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. J. D. Wicker, Rev. C. M. Dollar, Mrs. Pattie Hurley.

The entire expense of your board since last Convention for all clerical work, traveling expense, postage, stationery and all incidentals has been $1.25.

Respectfully submitted,

W. K. HOLT, *Treasurer.*
MRS. M. C. ROWLAND, *Sec'y.*
D. R. FONVILLE.
T. E. WHITE.

It was moved and carried that the Board of Finance be instructed to devise and submit to the Executive Board of the Convention a plan

or method for raising an endowment fund for the benefit of the aged or disabled ministers of this Convention.

Dr. R. V. Lancaster, Dr. J. M. Kirbye, Dr. W. Knighton Bloom and Rev. C. C. Jones were introduced to the Convention.

Convention sermon by Dr. C. H. Rowland, Greensboro, N. C.; theme: "Why the Kingdom Tarries" (Heb. 11:8).

Communion service in charge of Dr. N. G. Newman, Holland, Va., assisted by Revs. W. W. Staley, C. H. Rowland, P. H. Fleming, P. T. Klapp, H. C. Caviness, G. D. Hunt and J. F. Morgan.

Hymn, "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood."

A telegram was received from Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Benediction by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met at 2 o'clock. Devotional service conducted by Rev. B. J. Earp; theme: "Self-Denial."

Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Historian, submitted the following report:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

Your Historian begs leave to submit the following report:

During the past two years there has not been very much progress made along historical lines. One of the most outstanding items of interest was done by the Memorial Committee, whose duty it was to erect a suitable marker to commemorate the meeting of the Christians in Surry County, Va., held on August 4, 1794, when the name "Christian" was taken by the body to the exclusion of all party or sectarian names, and the Holy Bible was taken as their creed. The marker of stone with bronze tablets was erected on the site of Old Lebanon Church, on the Smithfield-Petersburg Highway, about one mile west of Surry Courthouse. It was unveiled with suitable sermon on July 7, 1927, in the presence of an immense gathering. The Memorial Committee did good work under the leadership of Judge Jesse F. West of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, and the unveiling was made a grand success by the Program Committee, of which Mr. J. M. Darden, of Suffolk, Va., was chairman. The copper box in the base of the monument was supplied by your historian, with accounts of 1794 meeting as gathered from the writings of those who were present. The best account was found in the books of Rev. James O'Kelly and was given in detail. Most of this manuscript has been published in the local papers and in *The Christian Sun.*

The monument to the memory of Rev. James O'Kelly, the moving spirit in the organization of the Christian Church in the South, is now being prepared by the Memorial Committee, and at some future time will be erected and unveiled on the campus at Elon College, N. C.

Regarding new research, we beg to advise that two of the books written by Rev. James O'Kelly have been located. Through the courtesy of Mr. Bruce Cotten, Baltimore, Md., we were allowed to read O'Kelly's work on "Negro Slavery," published in Philadelphia, Pa., 1789; and in this it was found that he was a native of Virginia, a question which had not been settled definitely before. Through the courtesy of the Virginia Baptist Historical Society and Dr. Garnett Ryland, of the University of Richmond, we were allowed to read Rev.

James O'Kelly's "Vindication of an Apology," etc., printed for the author by Joseph Gales, printer to the State, Raleigh, N. C., 1801. In this we learned that he was a resident of a Virginia county bordering on North Carolina at the time of his conversion and when he joined the Methodists. Mr. Osborn Pope says in a letter to Rev. James O'Kelly, published in the latter work: "Little did I think, when Samuel Yeargin, the preacher, my mother and myself persuaded you to join in society about twenty-five years ago (this was written prior to 1801), I should ever live to see you so stigmatized as you are, and the Scriptures so depreciated by the Methodist synod! And from all I hear, in private and public, you are thus treated because you hold by the New Testament, or the Scripture government, which was the very term of union at first. I knew you for years before you joined the Methodists, and I never heard you were called a lying man, a tatler, a mischief-maker, or busy-body in other men's matters; but on the contrary, when unconverted, mirth and company you delighted in." (Osborn Pope was a resident of Beaver Dam district of Granville County, N. C., in 1790. See U. S. census of N. C. 1790, page 88.)

As these things were found, they were published in *The Christian Sun* for the benefit of the Church. Copies of both of these works were made and have been placed in the library at Elon College for the use of coming generations.

A paper has been prepared by your Historian on "Rev. James O'Kelly, the American Patriot" for the May number of *The Elon Alumni Voice*, in which the political side of his life is shown.

While looking over some old books in the Virginia State Library, an estimate of the ability of our early leader was found by men who knew him, among these being one from Rev. Devereaux Jarratt, the noted Episcopalian of the south side of Virginia. He speaks of him as a man of ability and brilliant speaker.

While engaged in research work in another library, it was found that the Republican Methodists—the first name taken by the body now known as Christians in Virginia, at their meeting held on December 25, 1793, at the Manakin Town, Powhatan County, Va.—adopted a regular constitution, and about 1848 that paper was extant. (See "Life and Times of Jesse Lee," published 1848, page 285, and note.) This was superseded by the adoption of the name "Christian" and by taking the Bible as their only creed at the meeting in Surry County, August 4, 1794. We find, however, that the Virginia Christians adopted another constitution at the session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference held at Holy Neck Church, Nansemond County, Va., on the 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd of August, 1825. It was adopted by that session and sent to the Churches, and at next session of that body, held at Wills Chapel, Isle of Wight County, on the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th days of May, 1826, it was ratified. This had thirteen sections in it and was practically a form of Church government very similar to our present form. (It was the work of Rev. Nath'l P. Tatem. See MSS. minutes of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, pages 67, 68, 70 and 72.)

For the information of the body we give a few statistics showing the growth made by the Church since 1871, the earliest year that we have been able to get after the War Between the States.

In 1927, the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference reported 11,174 members; in 1871, 2,555 members—gain in fifty-six years, 8,619 members.

In 1927, the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference and the Eastern North Carolina Conference reported 11,232 members; in 1871, the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, which covered practically the same territory, reported 3,315 members—gain in fifty-six years, 7,917 members.

The statistics are not available for the other Conferences composing the Convention in 1871, but we believe that they will show an even larger growth. For example, the Western North Carolina Conference reported in 1927 3,715 members, while in 1871 the Deep River Conference reported 688 members, making a gain of 3,027 members, though this could not all be counted, as the territory has been changed some in the intervening years.

The total membership of this Convention in 1927 was 32,472. (See 1927 ANNUAL.) In 1871 there were 59 ministers in the Convention, in 1927 there were 133 and 40 licentiates, showing a gain of 74 ministers and 40 licentiates.

Recent inquiry reveals that there is very little historical material bearing on the Christian Church in the Elon College library. If any of our members know where any original documents bearing on the early history of the Christian Church are located, they would do the Church a great service if they would secure same, if possible; if not, copies of same and deposit them in the fireproof vault of the library for the instruction of the coming generations.

The time is near at hand when the Christian Church should have a historical society to look up and preserve the original sources of our Church history. It would not be very expensive, since we have the depository, and some one ought to be found who would do the work for the love of it, and in this way, by all working together, much might be accomplished.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. MACCLENNY.

Committee on Credenials made a partial report, and Mrs. C. H. Rowland and Mrs. R. A. Whitten, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, were enrolled.

Report of the Orphanage Board was read by Mr. W. K. Holt, chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE.

The Christian Orphanage idea was planted in the hearts of our people many years ago, but our Church had been in existence more than a hundred years before it had anything in a permanent way toward this branch of worthy and noble work. It is very fitting and appropriate, we think, that the little children were strong advocates of its establishment and for a number of years gave their nickels and dimes to swell the fund that was to build a home for the homeless. It was more fitting for the children to have taken this active part because of the fact that our Master while on earth loved the little children and took them in His arms and blessed them. It is also fitting because the ministry of our Master while on earth was to the poor, the needy, the sick, the lame, the blind, the fatherless and the widow in distress; then, too, the sacred Book, which is our rule of faith and guide, calls our attention to the fatherless and the widow in distress more than thirty times, so it should be very emphatically impressed on our minds. In the year 1904, after the Southern Christian Convention had voted to establish the Orphanage, the first building was erected. It would be useless for me, in this report, to recite to you the discouragements we have had to meet and the obstacles that have been thrown in our pathway, as well as the real joys that have come to us as the work has gone forward for these years. While seemingly some at times have been against us, God has been for us, and His blessings have not been withheld. And so far, the Board of Trustees, with their most efficient superintendent, have been able to carry out its policy and the work has made progress.

I want to say that the Board of Trustees, during the last eleven years, have found it necessary to build two buildings for children; not that it intended to take more than 120 children in its care at any one time, but to work out a plan for the betterment of those it had in its care and give them the best we had to give to keep abreast with other denominations in our State, who are doing a wonderful work along charity lines and spending many thousands of dollars yearly to help the fatherless and the widow in distress.

During this biennium we have added to our capital assets fifteen acres of beautiful wheat land which was donated by our good brother P. J. Carlton, of Richmond, Va.

Our good friend, Mr. H. A. Carlton, of Raleigh, N. C., has bought 433 acres of fine farm land near Mullins, S. C., at a cost of $30,000, and is developing it according to his own ideas as to a model farm on the tenant system. And during the years of development he gives to the Christian Orphanage, Elon College, N. C., all the corn, oats, Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, syrup, soy beans without cost. And the only request he makes of us is that we furnish some boys through the vacation season to work on the farm and to get charity rates on carload shipments of material for the use of the farm. The boys are not worked on the farm for their labor only, but to teach them the methods of agriculture and to develop them physically and mentally.

During the year 1926 the income to the Orphanage from this farm was about $1,600 in farm products. And the year 1927 about $2,200 in farm products.

When he develops this farm like he wants it, he is going to deed it to the Christian Orphanage for its usages and purposes, which he figures will be within five years. When the development period is finished, the income from this farm under good management should be something like $5,000 per year.

Mr. Carlton wishes us to state that he is making this contribution in addition to his Church contributions, and making it for the benefit of helpless humanity and he will reach his object through the Christian Orphanage, so it will be administered under the supervision of the Christian denomination. It is also Mr. Carlton's idea that when the Orphanage takes over this farm it will be able, through its surplus, to help Elon College and to show its appreciation for the benefits it receives from the college in free tuition for its children sent to the college and also the benefits it receives from the Christian education in the school of religion in the Christian Education Building.

We have also finished and furnished the new building, which we had under construction when this Convention met two years ago, and now have twenty-five children in it, making a total of three splendid brick buildings for children. During the last biennium we have had an average of 103 children. The late J. B. Duke remembered the Orphanage in his endowment, and we received from that in 1926 $1,309.50, and in 1927 $2,465.05. We are hoping to be able to comply with their requirements from year to year and continue to receive help from this fund.

It has been the policy of our board since we have been in charge to build our income to take care of our expenses and pay as we go, and we find that we have been able to have the confidence of our people and they have been glad to contribute to this worthy cause because we have tried at all tims to get a dollar's worth for every dollar spent.

We could turn over the keys of the Christian Orphanage to this Convention as of January 1, 1928, with assets valued at $157,900.83 in real and personal property, with an income in endowment value last year of $75,000 at 4½ per cent, and could have given you a check for cash in the bank at that time for $6,181.06.

Most of these assets have been added within the last eleven years under the management of our faithful superintendent, Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, who has the confidence of your Board of Trustees and the confidence of all who love Orphanage work, regardless of their Church affiliation.

This report covers a period of one year and nine months. Owing to the fact that the Duke Foundation required a very lengthy report the first of each year, and it requires it to run with the calendar year, and the State Board of Charities of North Carolina requires the same kind of report for the same length of time and also a report for the Board of Trustees each year, upon the request of the superintendent of the Orphanage, the board has changed its fiscal year to run with the calendar year in order to make all three reports at one time and save time and much unnecessary work.

We are grateful to the good women of our denomination for the splendid part they have taken in our work. Last year they sent to the Christian Orphan-

age 614 dresses for little girls under ten years of age, 170 suits for little boys under eight years of age, besides quilts and many other articles of clothing which was useful and beneficial.

We are hoping, with the fifteen extra acres of land given us, to be able in the future to raise wheat enough to make our bread. We are also trying this year to raise hogs enough to make our own meat for the next year. We continue from year to year to increase our daily herd of cattle, and are now producing sufficient milk and butter for all the children. It became necessary last year to build a modern potato house, with a capacity of 700 bushels, to care for our sweet potato crop, which has proven very successful, and the children have sweet potatoes daily almost the year through.

We have also built a new granary, with capacity of 1,000 bushels of grain, and a new crib to care for the corn crop.

Our people have been loyal to us, and it is a joy to us to give our time free of charge to do this service for our denomination and help those whom the Lord has placed in our care.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Income.

April 1, 1926, to March 31, 1927.

Sunday School Monthly Offerings	$5,969.29	
Special Offerings	5,589.15	
Thanksgiving Offerings	5,545.30	
Easter Offerings	2,641.21	
New Building	8,501.79	
Miscellaneous	71.69	
		$28,418.43

Expense Account.

Administration	$3,000.00	
Matron's Salary	2,470.00	
Clothing	1,486.57	
Groceries	3,798.63	
Drugs	139.70	
Repairs	313.16	
Water and Lights	332.14	
Office Supplies and Postage	332.90	
Fuel	469.98	
Miscellaneous	4,894.25	
Farm Expense	2,752.56	
Dairy	534.61	
Laundry	114.93	
Insurance	104.00	
School expense	577.72	
Nurse	62.80	
Stenographer	60.00	
Thanksgiving literature	98.50	
Oil	116.17	
Capital account	187.53	
Teacher	50.00	
Telephone	2.70	
		21,899.29
New building		9,474.24
		$31,373.53

Farm receipts for information:

Hay	$ 750.00	
Wheat	432.60	
Oats	330.00	
Rye	88.20	
Corn	260.00	
Vegetables	41.35	
Straw	303.00	
Canned peaches	343.00	
Canned tomatoes	140.00	
Canned beans	35.60	
Silo feed	800.00	
Stover	300.00	
Pork	1,081.00	
Sweet potatoes	375.00	
		$ 5,279.75

Farm expense (included above):

Labor	$1,215.60	
Seed	133.99	
Repairs	51.85	
Feed	39.72	
Oil for tractors	325.43	
Fertilizer	290.10	
Machinery	324.35	
Miscellaneous	371.62	
		2,752.66
Profit		$ 2,526.09

Dairy receipts (for information):

Milk	$ 3,717.20

Dairy expense (included above):

Mill feed	$ 175.88	
Dry feed	195.90	
Supplies	7.75	
Labor	9.00	
Freight on corn	86.04	
Miscellaneous	60.04	
		534.61
Profit		$ 3,182.59

Financial Statement.

To balance brought forward from year 1926	$ 2,705.75
Total income from all sources for fiscal year ending March 31, 1927.	28,418.43
Cash borrowed	2,500.00
Total	$33,624.18
Total expense of Orphanage year ending March 31, 1927	$21,899.29
New building account to March 31, 1927	9,474.24
	$31,373.53
Balance in cash and due bills	$ 2,250.63

Elon College, N. C., April 24, 1927.

To the Board of Trustees of the Christian Orphanage, Elon College, N. C.:

We checked the books of Chas. D. Johnston, the secretary and treasurer and superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1926, to March 31, 1927, and find the following:

The income for the fiscal year from April 1, 1926, to March 31, 1927.	$28,418.43
Balance brought forward for 1926	2,705.75
Amount borrowed was	2,500.00
Total	$33,624.16
Total general expenses for the institution for the same year was	$21,899.29
Paid on the new building account	9,474.24
Total expenditures	$31,373.53
Showing the balance brought forward in cash	$ 2,044.63
Due bills	206.00
Making a total balance of	$ 2,250.63

Very respectfully submitted this April 14, 1927.

JOHN R. FOSTER,
H. C. SIMPSON,
Auditing Committee.

Income from April 1, 1927, to December 31, 1927, being nine months, as follows:

Income.

Sunday School offerings	$ 5,187.60
Special offerings	6,426.59
Thanksgiving	8,641.50
Easter	171.02
Pledges	2,007.58
Outside	453.87
Endowment	3,144.05
Willed	500.00
	$26,532.21

Expense account for same period:

Administration	$ 2,250.00
Matrons	1,855.04
Clothing	1,385.34
Groceries	3,058.54
Medicine	89.25
Repairs	309.39
Postage	98.76
Interest	150.00
Insurance	509.10
Water and lights	366.75
Education	692.02
Office supplies and expenses	268.05
Two cars of coal	423.79
One Ford sedan	649.00
Telephone and telegraph	19.45
Laundry	283.36
One note and interest	2,529.17

Miscellaneous	993.18
Farm	3,334.43
Dairy	346.37
Permanent improvement land, etc	2,684.79
Total	$22,295.78

Farm and dairy income:

Income from farm in farm products for nine months	$ 4,255.66
Expense running farm	3,344.43
Profit	$ 911.23
Income from dairy in milk for nine months	$ 2,613.60
Expense for some time	346.37
Profit in milk	$ 2,267.23

Financial statement:

Brought forward from last year	$ 2,250.63
Income for nine months	26,532.21
Total	$28,782.84
All expenses for nine months	22,295.78
	$ 6,487.06
Less note, due bills, checks uncollectable	306.00
Total balance cash January 1, 1928	$ 6,181.06

Elon College, N. C., March 28, 1928.

To the Board of Trustees of the Christian Orphanage, Elon College, N. C.:

We, your Auditing Committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have on this day checked the books of Chas. D. Johnston, superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, for the months of April including December, being the last nine months of 1927, and find the following:

Brought forward from year 1926	$ 2,250.63
Income for nine months of 1927	26,532.21
Total	$28,782.84
Expenses for the nine months	22,295.78
Leaving balance	$ 6,487.06
Less checks and due bills not collectable	306.00
Balance in cash	$ 6,181.06

You will note we only checked the books for the last nine months of the year from the fact that at our last annual meeting we changed our year to run with the calendar year, beginning January, in order to comply with the Duke Foundation. Beginning with the first of this year, our fiscal year will run with the calendar year.

Very respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. FOSTER,
H. C. SIMPSON,
Committee.

I want to say, in conclusion, that while the Christina Orphanage has made splendid progress in the last eleven years, we would not mislead you by having you think all our income has come from the Christian denomination alone. When we built the building known as the "Baby Home," two men alone, who were members of the Episcopal Church, gave us one-fifth the cost of that building, and many others outside our Church contributed liberally. When we built our last building, one man, who is a Methodist, gave us one-fifth of the cost of the building, and he and others outside our denomination gave one-third of the cost of the entire building.

We had our secretary to go over our income books for the last year and nine months, the time included in this report, and pass on every item as to whether it came from our own people or outside our Church, and this is his findings after giving all donations in doubt to our Church:

From April 1, 1926, to March 31, 1927:

Our income from our own Church was	$22,334.28
Our income from outside our Church was	6,084.15
Making a total of	$28,418.43

From April 1, 1927, to December 31, 1927:

Our income from our Church was	$18,795.16
From outside sources	7,737.05
Making a total of	$26,532.21

It is the opinion of our secretary that if these amounts from outside sources had not come to the Orphanage, they certainly would not have gone to either of the other departments.

I give you these facts to show you the Orphanage is not getting any more than it ought to get from our Churches, but one of our strong points has been in interesting men of means in our work who are not members of our denomination as well as our own people.

Very respectfully submitted,

W. K. HOLT,
Chairman Board of Trustees.

Report discussed by Mr. W. K. Holt and Mr. C. D. Johnston.

Report of the Mission Board was read by Colonel J. E. West, chairman.

Address by Rev. J. G. Truitt; theme: "Resources for Home Missions."

Address by Colonel J. E. West, "Our Mission Work."

General discussion by Revs. P. T. Klapp and G. D. Hunt.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE MISSION BOARD.

As the Mission Board meets annually on or about the 15th of September, the fiscal year with our appropriations begins October 1st. It is, therefore, necessary, in making this report clear and comprehensive, to give appropriations from October 1, 1925, to October 1, 1927, and those decided upon and being made for the present fiscal year ending October 1, 1928.

HOME MISSIONS.

The following places received donations during the two years ending October 1, 1927:

Mountain work, Carroll County, Va.	$ 6,847.43
Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va.	990.00
Richmond, Va.	5,170.41
Franklinton, N. C.	850.00
Newport News, Va.	225.00
Winchester, Va.	225.00
Roanoke, Ala.	75.00
North Alabama work	100.00
Portsmouth, First Church	550.00
Raleigh, N. C.	5,086.88
South Norfolk, Va.	3,225.00
Richland, Ga.	1,500.00
Total	$24,844.72

The appropriations voted for the present year and now in course of payment are:

Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va.	$ 300.00
Roanoke, Ala.	250.00
Winchester, Va.	350.00
Portsmouth, Va., First Church	600.00
Raleigh, N. C.	2,500.00
South Norfolk, Va.	2,500.00
Mountain work, Carroll County, Va., beginning October 1, 1926	1,000.00
Current obligations brought forward	900.00
Total	$ 8,400.00

In addition to these items which are in process of payment, on September 13, 1927, the board had obligations outstanding in the form of notes payable amounting to $15,300.00, and in the form of pledges outstanding payable over a term of three or four years a total of $16,666, as reported to the last session.

RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES.

During the fiscal year ending September 7, 1926, there came into the Mission Secretary's office receipts from all sources a total of $23,479.77, and during the year ending September 3, 1927, a total of $29,630.29; total, $53,110.06.

Since our last report, closing March 31, 1926, we have collected through our secretary and turned over to the treasurer the following amounts:

April, 1926—Emergency fund, $6,162.66; Rocky Ford building fund, $400; individuals, $20; specials, $394.13; S. S. regular, $223.78; mountain work, $450—total, $7,650.57.

May, 1926—Emergency fund, $1,206.79; regular S. S., $295.61; specials, $60.57; individuals, $30—total, $1,592.97.

June, 1926—Emergency fund, $351.40; regular S. S., $228.73; individuals, $95; balance on April emergency fund, $43.50—total, $778.69.

July, 1926—Emergency fund, $67.70; regular S. S., $261.92; specials, $93.62; individuals, $20—total, $443.24.

August, 1926—Emergency fund, $22; regular S. S., $281.83; specials, $286.40; individuals, $55; mountain work, $63.10—total, $708.33.

September, 1926—Emergency fund, $19.50; S. S. regular, $302.97; mountain work, $3.55; specials, $252.37; individuals, $5; loan First National Bank, $2,200—total, $2,783.39.

October, 1926—Emergency fund, $20; S, S. regular, $283.87; mountain work, $302.50; specials, $510.36; individuals, $40—total, $1,156.73.

November, 1926—S. S. regular, $271.17; individuals, $19; specials, $75.98; N. C. & Va. Conference, $405; Woman's Board Home Missions, $2,494.18; Woman's Board Foreign Missions, $2,619.78—total, $5,885.11.

December, 1926—S. S. regular, $313.69; individuals, $515.25; Burlington S. S., $108.62; mountain work, $25.82; Conference collections, $6,559.03; loan Waverly Bank, $825—total, $8,347.41.

January, 1927—S. S. regular, $209.96; individuals, $57.50; mountain work, $27.65; specials, $99.51; Conference collections, $379.39—total, $774.01.

February, 1927—Regular S. S., $221.60; specials, $58.50; individuals, $20; Woman's Board Home Missions, $745.93; Woman's Board Foreign Missions, $604.92—total, $1,650.95.

March, 1927—Specials, $841.14; self-denial offering, $89.59; regular S. S., $331.22; mountain work, $454.25; loan First National Bank, $500—total, $2,216.20.

April, 1927—Specials, $95.11; self-denial offering, $673.06; regular S. S., $285.92—total, $1,054.09.

May, 1927—Regular S. S., $311.65; self-denial offering, $1,646.25; specials, $183.69; Woman's Board, $1,451.33—total, $3,592.93.

June, 1927—Regular S. S., $287.41; self-denial offering, $860.98; mountain work, $234.98; specials, $274.36; Woman's Board, $1,014.71—total, $2,662.44.

July, 1927—Regular S. S., $360.62; self-denial offering, $283.26; specials, $69.14—total, $713.02.

August, 1927—Woman's Board, $1,846.53; regular S. S., $270.47; mountain work, $10.15; self-denial offering, $144.38; specials, $47.48—total, $2,319.01.

September, 1927—S. S. regular, $367.60; specials, $300.97; self-denial offering, $71.12; loan, $1,175—total, $1,914.69.

October, 1927—S. S. regular, $479.62; specials, $71.10; self-denial offering, $382.34; mountain work, $8.57—total, $941.63.

November, 1927—S. S. regular, $276.54; specials, $178.65; self-denial offering, $40; mountain work, $3.71; Woman's Board, $5,330.70; loan, $1,000; Conference collections, $1,400—total, $8,229.60.

December, 1927—S. S. regular, $247.63; specials, $92.89; self-denial offering, $30; mountain work, $11.62; Woman's Board, $73.30; loan, $250; Conference collections, $5,373.23—total, $6,078.67.

January, 1928—S. S. regular, $341.32; specials, $474.71; self-denial offering, $23; mountain work, $10—total, $849.03.

February, 1928—S. S. regular, $274.44; specials, $63.47; self-denial offering, $18; mountain work, $1.75; Woman's Board, $1,677.19—total, $2,034.85.

March, 1928—S. S. regular, $335.77; specials, $61.86; individuals, $253.05; mountain work, $1.01—total, $651.69. Grand total, $65,029.26.

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR BIENNIUM.

For the first year of the biennium just closed we expended $23,436.30 and disbursed $29,403.39 for the second year—a total of $52,839.69.

These figures do not correspond with the grand total of $65,029.26 as stated under the head of "Receipts from All Sources" because the periods covered are different. In the case of disbursements, the period covered is from October 1, 1925, to October 1, 1927, and in the case of "Receipts from All Sources" the period covered begins April 1, 1926, and concludes March 31, 1928.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS.

One of the most gratifying features of our mission work is the increasing interest in missions on the part of our Sunday Schools. With the exception of a very few, our active and progressive Sunday Schools have adopted the plan ratified by this Convention of giving one offering per month for missions. We feel that this creates interest in missions where it will do most good in the future, and so we urge that this plan be continued and emphasized in all our schools. Our Sunday Schools should be deeply interested in missions and should be giving donations and frequent missionary programs. The donations from the Sunday Schools during the past biennium amounted to $7,065.34. During the biennial period preceding, they amounted to $8,327.82, which shows a decrease of $1,262.48. This is not as it should be, and we urge our people to change this decidedly during the next biennium by liberal offerings from month to month. We have faith to believe that we shall in the future receive not only increasing funds from this source, but missionary recruits for the field as well. Missionary teaching must be given to the youth, and there is no better place for this than in the Sunday School.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY WORK.

The Woman's Board will make its own report to this Convention. During the previous biennium the Woman's Board raised $15,729.15. During the present biennium they have turned over to this board $17,858.57—an increase of $2,129.42.

The woman's annual missionary conferences and their one-day schools of missions continue to grow in interest and in attendance. Frankly, we do not know what would have happened to the missionary cause of the Christian denomination in the South if it had not been for the splendid work of the Woman's Board. Our grateful thanks are hereby recorded.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Since our last report to this body, we have paid for foreign missions to the office of Dr. W. P. Minton, Foreign Mission Secretary, $28,158.49. Of this amount, $12,495.28 went to the work in Japan and $2,794.14 to the work in Porto Rico, and the remainder to the general foreign work. During the previous biennium we remitted to the Foreign Mission Secretary's office, in Dayton, $25,735.19, an increase during this biennium of $2,423.30. During this biennial period our Foreign Mission Department of the General Convention maintained a budget totaling $112,159.42 for two years. It is generally agreed that we should pay one-fourth of this amount, or $28,039.85, over a period of two years. We are happy to report, therefore, that we have discharged our foreign mission obligations. But in former years we have not done so well and should do our best to make up for that lack by increased gifts now. Also our general foreign mission work is in debt and needs to expand. We should do our best to help pay the debt and aid in the expansion. This should give us anxious concern and send us to our knees for the cause of missions.

During the biennial period we have sent out one new missionary, Miss Victoria Adams, to Porto Rico. Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Fletcher also have gone to Japan. They were able to secure a teaching position and are therefore entirely independent of our mission. During the biennial period Mrs. E. C. Fry, the wife of Rev. E. C. Fry of our Japan mission, has passed to her reward. The Morton family, who have been serving in Porto Rico for some years, will return to the homeland permanently when Rev. and Mrs. D. P. Barrett, who are happily with us at this Convention, have concluded their furlough and returned to the island. Further than this, there have been no changes in the number of missionaries maintained by our Church as foreign missionaries.

MEN AND MILLIONS.

We hape collected during the biennial period of Men and Millions a total of $492.13. Of this amount, $76 now remains in bank. The remainder has been disposed of as follows:

J. C. McAdams, P. M., stamped envelopes.....	$109.60
Dr. L. E. Smith, President.....	306.53

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

We are gratified to report an increase in the membership of the Southern Christian Convention during the biennium of 1,204. Two years ago our membership was 31,182; at this time, our membership is 33,086, or an increase of about 4 per cent, which is practically the rate of increase in population for the country. It should be said in this connection that several Churches are omitted from the statistic table which would increase the total. While this increase is by no means what it should be, we are grateful that we are increasing in membership rather than decreasing, as is the case in our denomination at large and in several of our sister denominations.

MOUNTAIN WORK.

In co-operation with the Woman's Board, we have been conducting a much-needed work in Carroll County, Va. Miss Alice Baldwin, as teacher of the Rocky Ford School, has rendered splendid service, and Rev. S. E. Madren, the pastor in charge, is enjoying excellent success in his efforts there.

We have two organized Churches in this section. Both of them belong to the N. C. & Va. Christian Conference. They are Rocky Ford, with forty-five members and property valued at $3,000, and Elk Spur, with fifty-nine members and property valued at $3,300. Both of these Churches contribute generously according to their means for the various enterprises of the Church. Bro. Madren is a junior at Elon College, going back and forth to his appointments during the college year.

NEGRO CHURCHES.

A number of our white ministers have found it possible to assist the negro Christians in making their work more efficient. We particularly record with appreciation the success of the Franklinton Christian College with Rev. J. A. Henderson as president. This school for the past two years has been crowded with students and by the munificence of friends have been able to meet its current budget. The additional dormitory that was begun there some years ago and which is very much needed remains incomplete because of lack of funds. It has been closed in, so that it is not deteriorating from the weather, but it should certainly be completed. Here is a fine opportunity for some philanthropist to render great service to negro education by providing the additional $20,000 necessary to complete this building.

STEWARDSHIP.

Your Mission Board is overwhelmed with the appalling need and the woeful lack of definite teaching of stewardship among our Churches and people. We need to realize that God is the Owner of all and that we are His stewards; more than this, that we are His trustees and under obligation to use our trusteeship for the upbuilding of His kingdom. We are in imperative need of definite, continuous, constructive teaching in stewardship. We urge that every Conference composing this Convention give place in its annual program for the discussion of stewardship and that the Conference secretaries of stewardship be continued, with a committee on stewardship working in conjunction with the said Conference secretary. We commend particularly the good work that Dr. Warren H. Denison is doing as Stewardship Secretary of the General Convention.

MISSIONARY INTEREST INCREASING.

Your board feels that there is an increasing interest in missions in the Southern Christian Convention. We earnestly pray that the day may soon come when our missionary offerings shall be many times what they are today, so that there may be in the foreign field and at home many additional missionaries giving their full time to planting and building Churches and congregations and carrying the gospel to those who have it not. To this end, we solicit the prayers and co-operation of Christians throughout the Convention and in all our Zion.

THE CHRISTIAN SUN.

The Mission Board has, since the first of October, 1926, permitted its secretary, in addition to acting as editor-in-chief of *The Christian Sun*, to take over into his office the collections for *The Christian Sun*. The services of his stenographer have been donated to the Convention for this purpose. At another time in the Convention, the Mission Secretary will make full report of his activities and services for *The Christian Sun*. The Mission Board is glad to make this contribution to the Convention.

MISSION OFFERING, 1928.

During the enforced absence of the Mission Secretary from his office, the mission offering for 1928 has been in the hands of Bro. J. M. Darden, Acting Mission Secretary. The board is glad to report that Dr. Atkinson is very decidedly improved in his physical condition. Dr. Atkinson was himself anxious to return and be at the Convention, but upon the insistence of his physician and friends he has decided to remain in Florida till the 15th of May. We rejoice to report his improvement and pray earnestly for his complete recovery at an early date. We express herewith our grateful thanks to Bro. Darden for the zeal and energy and statesmanship with which he has approached the problem of our offering for missions this year. He will make full report of his work to the session.

J. E. WEST, *Chairman.*
J. M. DARDEN, *Acting Secretary.*

Judge O. W. Whitelock, Dr. W. P. Minton and Dr. W. A. Harper spoke on the work of our publications.

Dr. Jason Nobel Pierce, of the Congregational Church, Washington, D. C., was introduced to the Convention.

Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Rev. H. C. Caviness.

Address: "Evangelism," by Rev. H. C. Caviness.

On motion, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Your Committee on Evangelism wishes to report the growing interest in pastoral and personal evangelism among all the Churches. We believe the increased emphasis upon pastoral and personal evangelism is a prophecy of a new day for our Churches. Some prefer to call this type of evangelism "visitation evangelism." But whatever name is given, the method is the same—the method of Jesus, going into the homes where people live, meeting them at their work, finding them wherever they are and winning them one by one for God.

Evangelism is an attitude of mind and heart. It is the attitude on the part of the pastor and his Church that is expressed in a sincere desire to see men and women, boys and girls, surrender their lives to Jesus Christ. Moreover, it is an attitude expressed in the desire to be used of God in helping to influence

others by example, by interest, by prayer, and by personal invitation to accept Christ as Saviour and enlist in His service. In short, the person that has the evangelistic attitude is a "soul-winning" one. Every department of a Church—the Sunday School, the brotherhood, the Christian Endeavor Society, the Missionary Society, etc.—should all express this attitude and recognize that the first work of the Church is to win people from the paths of sin to Christ and Christ-like living. Every Church that is not thus a center of evangelistic activity is weighed in the balance of God and found wanting. The Church that has the true evangelistic attitude will also have the proper social attitude, for it will realize that in order to save the individual to God, it must also seek to save the community for God.

A wholesome, rational and fervent evangelistic attitude in a Church intensifies the devotional life of the Church members. It inspires all to give more time to meditation on God's Word. It encourages definite habits of prayer on the part of all who profess to love Christ, and inspires them to pray in behalf of those who are not Christians. A proper evangelistic attitude on the part of the pastor and Church makes possible a more intelligent worship and a warmer spiritual atmosphere in all the services of the Church. It creates a sense of one's social obligations. It increases the sense of the parental responsibility for the spiritual welfare of the children. It emphasizes the need of the family altar. It brings the members of the Church into a closer harmony and a richer fellowship of good will. It gives life and meaning to the Church and to the various phases of its program. It creates a social conscience in the Church, making the Church feel its responsibility to the men and women of the community and to the community life itself.

This type of evangelism consists in holding interviews with non-Christians in their home or place of business with the one specific purpose of pressing home the claims of Christ. It is perfectly marvelous what a pastor and his group of personal workers can accomplish in any community in winning souls to Christ and the Church if they will adopt some such systematic effort and work for a definite objective. The pastor and personal workers should be on the look-out for Christian decisions constantly. But there is a psychology in having a season when special effort is put forth in the interest of winning people to Christ and the Church. Some of our Churches have these special seasons of ingathering in the fall, some in the winter, some in the spring, and others in the summer. We believe every Church could well afford to have some special season of ingathering, whether it be in the nature of a quiet, personal work campaign leading up to some particular Sunday when a class of members will be received into the Church, or whether it be in the nature of a ten-day or two weeks' evangelistic meeting. More and more Churches are using the two weeks preceding Easter for this special evangelistic emphasis. Experience has proven that such is highly desirable. One of the greatest needs of the kingdom is that pastors and Churches have a rational evangelistic attitude, that they feel their responsibility and rejoice in their opportunity of winning souls. Without such an attitude, no Church can long survive. With such an attitude, no Church can fail. The challenge comes to every pastor and every Church in the Southern Christian Convention.

"Rescue the perishing, care for the dying,
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
Weep o'er the erring one, lift up the fallen,
Tell them of Jesus the mighty to save.
Rescue the perishing, duty demands it;
Strength for thy labor the Lord will provide."

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. HELFENSTEIN, *Ch'n.*
A. W. ANDES.
H. C. CAVINESS.

Report of Committee on Old Lebanon and O'Kelly Memorials was read by Judge J. F. West, chairman. Report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OLD LEBANON AND O'KELLY MEMORIALS.

There has been contributed to the memorials, including the amount realized from the sale of a portion of the Old Lebanon lot, the sum of $1,736.19. Of this amount, $832.80 was paid to Burns & Campbell, Petersburg, Va., for the Old Lebanon marker, $13.25 to A. D. Pate & Co. for stationery, and $9.50 to J. C. McAdams, post-master, for postage stamps, leaving a balance on hand, including accumulated interest, of $952.03.

Your committee, many months ago, gave an order to the Palmer Marble Works, Albemarle, N. C., for the O'Kelly Memorial, consisting of an Egyptian marble statue of Rev. James O'Kelly, to be placed upon the campus at Elon College, the contract price of which is $1,275. This statue has been completed and is ready for delivery upon the payment of the purchase price. As appears above, we lack $322.97 of having sufficient funds to pay for the same. We recommend that the Convention take immediate steps to raise this sum, as the contractors are asking for a settlement. We will also need an additional sum of at least $80 to cover expenses of the unveiling of the statue.

The Old Lebanon marker has been erected on the Old Lebanon lot, near Surry Courthouse, Va., and was unveiled with appropriate ceremonies on July 7, 1927, in the presence of about 2,000 people. The members of this Convention doubtless read full accounts of the ceremonies in *The Christian Sun* and the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, and we need not refer to them in detail here. We deem it proper, however, to say that the success of the occasion was due in large measure to the liberality and efforts of Bro. J. M. Darden, of Suffolk, Va., chairman of the committee on program and publicity. Supported loyally by the members of the New Lebanon Church and the members of his committee, Bro. Darden provided music by a splendid brass band, loud speakers over the grounds and lunch at reasonable prices—all without cost to the Committee on Memorials.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WEST, *Ch'n*,
J. O. ATKINSON, *Sec'y*,
W. E. MACCLENNY,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee on Memorials.

Rev. J. W. Barrett, of Norfolk, Va., was presented, and pronounced the benediction. Convention adjourned.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 7:30 o'clock.

Song service in charge of Rev. J. F. Morgan. Anthem by the choir.

Address: "The Place of Prayer in the Missionary Program," by Dr. G. O. Lankford.

Dr. Robert L. Kelly, executive secretary of Council of Church Boards of Education, was introduced to the Convention.

Report of the Woman's Board was read by Mrs. J. A. Williams, President, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

The Woman's Missionary Convention submits the following report:

North Carolina Conference: 119 Churches; 36 Woman's Missionary Societies with 682 members; 13 Young People's Missionary Societies, with 187 members; 10 Willing Workers' Societies, with 126 members; 11 Missionary Cradle Rolls, with 278 babies on roll. Apportioned for biennium 1926-1928, $10,000; total amount raised, $8,410.

Virginia Valley Central Conference: 26 Churches; 7 Woman's Missionary Societies, with 183 members; 6 Young People's Missionary Societies, with 132 members; 2 Willing Workers' Societies, with 54 members; 10 Missionary Cradle Rolls, with 151 babies on roll. Apportioned for biennium 1926-1928, $1,000; total maount raised, $1,056.

Alabama Conference: 28 Churches; 7 Woman's Missionary Societies, with 111 members; 1 Young People's Missionary Society, with 6 members; 2 Missionary Cradle Rolls, with 28 babies on roll. Apportioned for biennium 1926-1928, $750; amount raised, $348.95.

Eastern Virginia Conference: 47 Churches; 27 Woman's Missionary Societies, with 969 members; 22 Young People's Missionary Societies, with 288 members; 16 Willing Workers' Societies, with 252 members; 17 Missionary Cradle Rolls, with 252 babies on roll. Apportioned for biennium 1926-1928, $13,000; total amount raised, $13,050.48.

Goal for biennium 1926-1928, $25,000; total amount raised by Woman's Convention, $23,035.13.

The Woman's Missionary Convention was in session Tuesday, May 1st, with an attendance of eighty delegates. Dr. W. P. Minton, of Dayton, Ohio, addressed the Convention in the morning; Mrs. McD. Howsare addressed the Convention in the afternoon. Dr. J. O. Atkinson's address was read by Mrs. C. H. Rowland. These addresses brought great messages, which we very much appreciated.

The Conference presidents and superintendents of each department showed increased interest and greater determination to go forward for the success of the kingdom of Christ on earth.

The following officers were elected, subject to the approval of this body: president, Mrs. J. A. Williams; vice-president, Mrs. C. H. Rowland; secretary, Miss Margaret Alston; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. L. Beale; treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle; superintendent young people's work, Mrs. R. T. Bradford; superintendent of cradle roll, Mrs. I. W. Johnson; superintendent of spiritual life, Mrs. W. H. Carroll; superintendent of literature and mite-boxes, Mrs. H. C. Caviness.

We recommend that the young people have a program at the next Convention.

There are 232 Churches in the Southern Christian Convention; 76 Churches have missionary organizations—there are 156 Churches existing without any missionary organization. It is time to realize the great unfinished task before us. The future is "as bright as the promise of God," but the home base must be cultivated and not neglected. These unorganized Churches are needed in order that the mission work of our Church might go on into larger and still larger service, and these Churches need the missionary spirit to nourish them and to cause them to grow. Shall we climb the missionary ladder until every Church in the Southern Christian Convention is a missionary Church, with its missionary organizations, and every minister is preaching and teaching missions in their Churches? Reluctantly we are unable to increase the goal, but we will endeavor to organize new missionary societies, and by so doing increase the goal.

The favor of God has rested upon our missionary work this biennium; we are now asking all our pastors and people to renew their efforts for missions. In the strength of His grace, let us go forward expecting larger blessings from Him, with the impelling motive of our work being the enthronement of Jesus Christ in the hearts of men and women.

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS, *President.*

Address: "Fourfold Aspect of Home Missions," by Mrs. McD. Howsare, President of Woman's Board of General Convention.

Dr. W. H. Denison delivered an address on "Stewardship."

Convention adjourned. Benediction by Rev. T. E. White.

THIRD DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1928.

Convention met at 9 o'clock. Devotional service conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson; theme: "The Shepherd."

Dr. Lewis H. Keller, D. D., president Atlanta Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., was presented to the Convention.

Rev. W. C. Wicker and A. W. Andes were added to the Committee on Resolutions.

Miss Lucy Eldredge made a talk concerning the literature of the Church.

Rev. J. W. Fix was added to the Committee on Social Service.

Report of Committee on Temperance was read by Dr. G. O. Lankford and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Crime in its various forms is an obvious illustration of the economic and moral waste and destructiveness of sin. The reports of crime so widely displayed through the public press and so often unduly magnified through the columns of our daily papers, constitute quite a large proportion of the daily news upon which the public mind is being fed. Consequently, the peculiar and abnormal type of personality revealed in crime has a certain appeal and fascination for the multitudes who throng to scenes of violence, crowd to sensational court trials, and frequently give undue attention and favors to the criminals themselves. At the same time, the agents of society for the prevention and punishment of crime are in evidence, and the maintenance of these agencies constitutes an important and increasing portion of the public expenditure. And the sad consequences of crime, of the violation of both moral and civil law, not only to the criminals and law-breakers themselves, but also to many who are innocent, are severe and continued warnings against wrong-doing and sin.

In spite of this fact, the certain prevalence of disregard for law and the widespread existence of crime is a matter of common knowledge. The government, society and the Church are waging a constant warfare against this evil, and the measures employed are divided between methods for prevention and punishment of crime. All encouragement possible should be given by all Christians to the law-enforcement agencies and the measures being used to prevent infractions of the law.

While many and various crimes are being committed all around us, there is one form of evil and law-breaking that seems to come particularly within the consideration of this report, namely: the frequent infringement upon the prohibition enactments and laws of the country and the continued indulgence on the part of many of our citizens in the use of alcoholic beverages. This is a fact to be deplored by all good citizens in every walk of life.

Now, alcohol as a beverage has no worthy standing in any group or gathering of right-thinking, truth-loving and law-abiding citizens, and especially in a

gathering of this kind. Alcohol has been discarded by science and medicine, industry and religion, not only as being useless but positively injurious and hurtful. There is, therefore, just cause for deep gratification that the American people, through constitutional enactment and by regularly ordained authority, have openly, emphatically and nationally declared that alcohol as a beverage is an anti-social, anti-Christian agent and a great menace to the desired growth and development of our country. And this verdict of the people should not be called in question by any court, official or private citizen; nor by any social club, select class, political group or "personal liberty" lovers. Neither should the violation of this constitutional enactment be countenanced anywhere in our country by private indulgence or public act or statement.

In view of the above, be it resolved:

1. That this Convention go on record as deeply deploring the extent to which many of our laws are being disregarded and broken, and particularly the extensive, subtle and flagrant violations of our constitutional prohibition laws.

2. That this Convention heartily commend all publications, organizations or societies, courts, officers of the law and private citizens who are exerting their efforts and influence in the direction of a strict enforcement of law and the further establishment of civic righteousness in our country.

3. That we urge upon the public press, our courts, our officers, upon our Churches, schools and colleges, upon all good citizens, and especially the members of this Convention, a more vigorous effort and constant endeavor to further remove the temptation from those who are given to the indulgence of strong drink, and that everything possible be done to safeguard and protect the people of our land from the curse of this and all other evils.

G. O. LANKFORD,
C. H. ROWLAND,
W. W. STALEY,
Committee.

Report of the Committee on Finance was read by Mr. J. A. Williams, chairman, and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the Committee on Finance, have checked the receipts and disbursements of W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, and find same to be correct, with the exception of the sum of $79.00 that was credited to the Treasurer by the cashier of the First National Bank of Burlington through error. We recommend that this amount be refunded. We recommend that the following items be paid:

West & Withers, premium on Treasurer's bond of $20,000.00	$125.00
W. C. Wicker, Treas., salary 1927-28	50.00
C. C. Ryan, typewriter and telegrams	4.30
I. W. Johnson, Secy., salary and expenses	65.50
Mrs. J. S. Rollings, Ass't Secy, salary	25.00

We recommend that the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention be required to countersign all drafts, so as to avoid overdrafts.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. WILLIAMS,
J. A. KIMBALL,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Social Service was read by Rev. H. S Hardcastle, chairman, and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

Religion has its social as well as its individual aspect. Jesus came preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, which is more than personal salvation—it is the establishment of the will of God in all social relationships. The Church as the divinely accredited agency for embodying and expressing the spirit of Christ should therefore be concerned with social service. It ought and it must concern itself with the problems involved in such things as family life, industrial and economic life, political life, both local and national and international, and social life, seeking in every way to apply the principles and spirit of Christ to these and other realms of social life. In other words, the Church must be concerned with saving individuals and with saving society.

The General Convention of the Christian Church does not have a department of social service. The recommendation that such a department be established was not adopted at the last session of the General Convention. Nor does the Southern Christian Convention have a department of social service. But this does not mean that the Christian Church is not interested in social service or that the Christian Church is not doing social service work. In many ways, both as local Churches and as larger groups, the Churches of the Southern Christian Convention are doing constructive work in social service.

This committee recommends and urges that all the Churches of the Southern Christian Convention give their hearty support to all movements and agencies that have as their object the application of the spirit and principles of Christianity to all social relationships. We should support and co-operate with every movement looking toward the establishment of Christian homes, the advancement of social education, the application of Christian principles to industry and economic life, the preservation of sex purity, the elimination of the appalling evils of divorce, the decrease of crime, the observance and enforcement of law, the cleansing of social life, the application of Christianity to political life, the abolishment of war, and the promotion of the spirit of brotherhood and good will among nations.

H. S. HARDCASTLE,
V. E. KITCHENS,
J. W. FIX,
Committee.

The report of the Board of Education was read by Dr. W. A. Harper, chairman. It was moved and carried that all items making any recommendations be considered separately.

Report of the Committee on Nominations was read by Colonel J. E. West, chairman. The report was adopted and the officers named therein were duly elected, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Officers.—President, Rev. L. E. Smith, D. D., Norfolk, Va.; Vice-President, Rev. N. G. Newman, D. D., Holland, Va.; Secretary, Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D., Suffolk, Va.; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Mary Andrews Rollings, Suffolk, Va.; Treasurer, Rev. W C. Wicker, D. D., Elon College, N. C.

Trustees of Elon College (term expires May, 1932).—Dr. W. W. Staley, Suffolk, Va.; Dr. J. E. Rawles, Suffolk, Va.; Dr. L. E. Smith, Norfolk, Va.; J. A. Williams, Franklin, Va.; Col. E. E. Holland, Suffolk, Va.; A. B. Farmer, News Ferry, Va.; P. J. Carlton, Richmond, Va.; Dr. W. H. Boone, Durham, N. C.; George F. Whitley, Smithfield, Va.; Hon. J. W. Pritchard, Chapel Hill, N. C.; Miss Deloris Morrow, Durham, N. C.; Mrs. John T. Kernodle, Richmond, Va.; Rev. J. G. Truitt, Norfolk, Va.; D. E. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.; Jesse F. West, Jr., Waverly, Va.; I. A. Luke, Holland, Va.; Jesse D. MacClenny, Suffolk, Va.; J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C.; H. A. Carlton, Raleigh, N. C.; W. B. Truitt, Greensboro, N. C.

Trustees of Bethlehem College (term expires May, 1932).—O. O. Mitchell, J. J. Carter, Dr. W. A. Harper, Elon College, N. C.; Dr. F. P. Ensminger; Dr. W. W. Staley, Suffolk, Va.; Rev. W. C. Carpenter, G. H. Veazey, Dr. Frank E. Jenkins.

Trustees of Christian Orphanage (term expires May, 1932).—H. C. Simpson, Greensboro, N. C.; W. K. Holt, Burlington, N. C.; C. D. West, Newport News, Va.

Board of Religious Education.—Rev. F. C. Lester, Waverly, Va.; E. T. Holland, Holland, Va.; Mrs. J. W. Patton, Elon College, N. C.; C. H. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. J. F. Morgan, Norfolk, Va., Route 3; W. H. Baker, Newport News, Va.; Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va.

Mission Board.—Colonel J. E. West, Suffolk, Va.; Rev. G. O. Lankford, D. D., Burlington, N. C.; Mrs. John A. Williams, Franklin, Va.; Mrs. M. L. Bryant, Norfolk, Va.; J. A. Williams, Franklin, Va.; J. M. Darden, Suffolk, Va.; Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Suffolk, Va.; Rev. C. H. Rowland, D. D., Greensboro, N. C.; K. B. Johnson, Cardenas, N. C.; Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C.

Missionary Secretary.—Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College, N. C.

Board of Publications.—Prof. L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C.; Dr. E. L. Moffitt, Asheboro, N. C.; Rev. P. H. Fleming, D. D., Burlington, N. C.; Rev. N. G. Newman, D. D., Holland, Va.; Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.

Board of Superannuation.—Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Elon College, N. C.; Rev. T. E. White, Graham, N. C.; Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Greensboro, N. C.; W. K. Holt, Burlington, N. C.; D. R. Fonville, Burlington, N. C.

Editors of "The Christian Sun."—Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Elon College, N. C., editor-in-chief; Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Suffolk, Va.; Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.; Dr. W. A. Harper, Elon College, N. C., contributing editors; Rev. S. M. Lynam, Canada, news editor; P. J. Kernodle, Richmond, Va., managing editor; C. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C., circulation manager.

Recommendations.—We recommend that during the next biennium, May 1, 1928, to May 1, 1930, $600 be appropriated from the Convention funds annually for secretarial help for the President of the Convention, to be paid in equal monthly installments.

J. E. WEST,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
C. D. JOHNSTON,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Apportionments was read by Dr. W. W. Staley, chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your committee appointed to apportion the twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) for the Convention to the seven Conferences, submit the following:

Alabama Conference	$ 1,250.00
Georgia and Alabama Conference	1,000.00
North Carolina and Virginia Conference	7,500.00
Eastern North Carolina Conference	2,500.00
Western North Carolina Conference	1,500.00
Eastern Virginia Conference	10,000.00
Valley of Virginia Central Conference	1,250.00
Total	$25,000.00

W. W. STALEY,
K. B. JOHNSON,
I. A. LUKE,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Conferences be requested to remit all Convention funds from the Conference apportionments in a lump, beginning this year, and the distribution of the money to the various funds of the Convention shall be made by the Board of Finance.

Report of Committee on Christian Union was read by Dr. W. A. Harper, secretary.

General discussion by Dr. W. H. Denison, Rev. F. P. Ensminger, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Dr. C. H. Rowland, Rev. J. F. Morgan, Dr. J. M. Kirbye, Dr. Robert L. Kelley, Dr. L. H. Keller, Dr. W. C. Wicker Dr. J. W. Manning, Colonel J. E. West.

Address: Dr. J. N. Pierce, Washington, D. C.

Report of Committee on Christian Union was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN UNION.

We record with hearty approval the fine spirit of co-operation and brotherliness evinced by the Congregational Church in its approach to the whole question of union with our denomination. We are honored by the presence in our Convention of a fine group of their trusted and distinguished leaders, whom we hope to hear at this session set aside to consider the matter of Christian union.

Particularly do we rejoice that the Commission on Interchurch Relations of the National Council of the Congregational Church and the Commission on Christian Unity of the General Convention of the Christian Church have adopted the "Recommendations Relating to the Organic Union of the Christian and Congregational Churches," recently published in the periodicals of both denominations.

We recommend that this Convention approve these recommendations and memorialize the General and Executive Boards of the General Convention of the Christian Church to proceed on this basis to consummate the union of our two Churches as set forth in the recommendations which we herewith submit as a part of this report:

RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO THE ORGANIC UNION OF THE CHRISTIAN AND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES.

The undersigned representatives, appointed from the Commission on Interchurch Relations of the Congregational Churches and the Commission on Christian Unity of the Christian Church, believe that the hour has come when, in the interest of the kingdom of God and of the larger usefulness of their respective denominations, these two communions should immediately take steps toward an organic union.

We, therefore, recommend to our respective commissions and, through them, to the National Council of Congregational Churches and to the General Convention of the Christian Church:

1. That each of them, at the earliest possible date, take action endorsing an organic union between the Congregational and Christian Churches.

2. That the basis of this new relation shall be the recognition by each group that the other group is constituted of the followers of Jesus Christ. Each individual Church and each group of Churches shall be free to retain and develop its own form of expression. Finding in the Bible the supreme rule of faith and life, but recognizing that there is room for wide differences of opinion among equally good Christians, this union shall be conditioned upon the acceptance of Christianity as primarily a way of life, and not upon uniformity of theological opinion or any uniform practice or ordinances.

3. That the autonomy of each local congregation and the right of each individual member to follow Christ according to his own conscience shall remain undisturbed.

4. That the United Church shall, for the time being, be called "Congregational-Christian," allowing each local Church to continue the use of its present name, if it so desires.

5. That as soon as this proposal shall have been ratified by the official bodies of the two organizations, a committee of equal number from each communion, adequately representative of the major interests and territory of each denomination, shall be appointed to study the whole situation carefully and to recommend a plan for the complete unification and management of their enterprises and program of work. In the meantime, every possible step should be taken by the two commissions to promote mutual acquaintance among the two constituencies and to canvass the practical questions involved in a merger.

6. That as soon as possible after the joint committee provided in the preceding paragraph is ready to report, a general convention, including the two bodies, shall be arranged, at which the report of the committee shall be acted upon. For this joint convention the executive committees of the two denominations shall make all arrangements.

7. The commissions recognize that numerous practical details will be involved. They are confident, however, that, being united in purpose, no insuperable obstacles will appear, and therefore propose that the two bodies go forward in mutual confidence.

FRANK G. COFFIN,
LEON E. SMITH,
For the Commission of Christian Unity.

FRANK K. SANDERS,
CHARLES E. BURTON,
FRITZ W. BALDWIN,
For the Commission on Interchurch Relations.

Committee:
LEON E. SMITH, *Chairman.*
W. A. HARPER, *Secretary.*
WARREN H. DENISON.

Convention adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev. R. L. Williamson.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention met at 2 o'clock. Devotional service conducted by Rev. H. C. Caviness; theme: "Abundant Grace."

It was moved and carried that a bill for $2.80 for telegrams be paid to Dr. C. C. Ryan.

Report of the Board of Christian Education was read by Miss Pattie Coghill.

Address by Dr. F. E. Jenkins.

Report of the Board of Education was, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The growing sentiment for Christian Education is cause for enheartenment. There has not been an educational gathering of state or national scope during the past several years that has not provided space in its program for the consideration of the place of religion in education. Only one state university in all our nation does not have opportunity provided for its students to study religion and allied subjects, sometimes at public expense but more often maintained by voluntary groups of interested persons or organizations. There as-

sembled at Princeton, February 17th to 19th, some two hundred college presidents, deans, and professors to discuss the place of religion in college life. There has just been published by the Association of American Colleges a book entitled "The Effective College," by Dr. Robert L. Kelly. This book devotes three chapters to the place of religion in college life. The Southern Christian Convention has always insisted that religion and education cannot be divorced, and it is exceedingly gratifying to us to report to this session of the Convention the evidences of the appreciation of religion as foundational by educators of every type.

I. ELON COLLEGE.

(a) *Membership in Southern Association.*

Elon College, since the Durham session of the Convention, has achieved a major item in its list of objectives in that in December, 1926, the college was admitted to membership in the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States. This achievement was made possible by the Convention's issuance of its bonds in the amount of $500,000 to offset the indebtedness of the college and to add $100,000 to the endowment, these bonds to bear interest at 6 per cent until liquidated by the gifts of our people in the name of the Church. Of course, the note for $112,500 given the board of trustees by the Convention many years ago was influential in enabling the college to win the recognition of this accrediting agency. Now the graduates of Elon College are admitted without question to the graduate departments of universities anywhere in the world, and they are also granted certificates to teach on terms equal to the best in every state in the Union and also in foreign countries. The Convention is to be congratulated upon its wisdom in thus providing for Elon. Our next duty is to retire these bonds and relieve the Convention of its obligation.

(b) *Attendance Records.*

Twelve years ago Elon College limited its enrollment to four hundred students and has had no difficulty since to secure its full allotment of students. For the year 1926-1927 these students were distributed by classes as follows: seniors, 57; juniors, 66; sophomores, 95; freshmen, 157; special departmental students, 25—total, 400.

For the year 1927-28 the distribution has been as follows: seniors, 57; juniors, 73; sophomores, 108; freshmen, 162—total, 400.

It is gratifying to your committee to find that we have more students of the Christian Church in Elon College than the percentage of attendance throughout the nation indicates as properly to be expected for our entire denomination. A recent investigation shows that four persons in each thousand in the United States are in college, university, or professional school of college grade. With only 33,000 members in the South, this would give us a total expectancy in institutions of higher learning for our Southern Church of 132; but, as a matter of fact, there are enrolled in Elon College this year from Christian Church homes 205. This is indeed gratifying and cause for congratulation, which shows that the college is really serving our Church and meeting the approval of the Church in a positive and substantial way.

(c) *Financial Items.*

The endowment of the college is at this time, including the Convention note of $112,500 and the Convention bonds in the amount of $100,000, $520,738.66. The value of the plant at this time is $1,202,051.04. The budget of the college for the year 1926-27 was $121,455, and for the year 1927-28 it was $146,395. The business manager estimates that for the year 1928-29 the budget will be not less than $149,500, though the trustees in session in May will adopt their own budget. The college operates under a closed budget submitted to the board of trustees by the business manager and finally approved by them.

The indebtedness of the college at this time is $426,740. This indebtedness is made up of an item of $114,750 incurred for general improvements and current expenses prior to the fire of January 18, 1923, and of the balance due on the rebuilding program of $311,990.

Inasmuch as certain items involved in the rebuilding program had to be adjusted since the Durham Convention, we think it well to detail at this time the cost of the rebuilding program, showing the origin of this indebtedness. The facts are as follows:

Cost.		Paid.
$130,251.76	Alamance	$ 50,217.09
83,534.36	Whitley	50,000.00
81,311.32	Duke	80,000.00
85,000.00	Carlton	85,000.00
102,601.27	Mooney	100,000.00
44,008.34	Outside service system	.....
10,560.00	Porticoes	.....
52,000.00	Entrances, grounds, walls	.....
44,283.96	General expense items	.....
130,714.38	Furniture and equipment	.....
15,000.00	Library equipment	15,000.00
18,147.32	Books for Library	.....
24,700.03	Refinancing costs	
	Raised for general purposes, cash and gifts	129,905.65
$822,112.74		$510,122.74
	Balance due on rebuilding program	$311,990.00

The financial needs of Elon College, so far as the Convention is concerned, will include two items—interest on the bonds of $500,000 at 6 per cent, and interest on the note of $112,500 at 6 per cent; a total of $36,750. The Convention is respectfully requested to provide for this item in its financial program. This committee refrains from suggesting the method by which this should be done, deferring to the Finance Board and to the Convention itself in session, expressing at the same time its earnest desire to work harmoniously with any plan which the Convention may adopt.

The committee is happy to report to the Convention at this time that during the year 1926-27 the college was fortunate to secure the full allotment of $36,750 provided for Elon in the benevolence budget, securing the money through offerings from Churches, from the collection of pledges, and from generous gifts by individuals. The campaign to raise a similar amount during 1927-28 is now in progress. We hope and pray that we may have the hearty support of Churches and individuals and that this year too the college will secure the full amount allotted it, so that it may balance its budget of expenses and retain its membership in the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States.

(d) *Alumni.*

Elon College began at its present location September 2, 1890, and with this commencement 38 classes have been graduated, totaling 743 members—420 men and 323 women. Of this number, 29 have passed to their reward—21 men and 8 women. With reference to those that remain, the following facts are given with reference to their life-work:

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Education	145	194	339
Ministry and missionary	107	3	110
Business	87	18	105
Home-makers (women only counted)	..	74	74
Public service	25	11	36
Law	18	..	18
Medicine	17	1	18
Engineers	12	..	12
Fine arts	..	2	2
Totals	411	303	714

The alumni of the college are deeply interested in the welfare of their alma mater. They are at this time engaged in reorganizing the General Alumni Association and the conserving of the strength of the alumni in local units. The officers of this association are especially to be commended for their efforts on behalf of the college. The trustees have appointed a committee to confer with the officers of the association on matters of co-operation, and there is a fine feeling of mutual confidence and co-operation between the Alumni Association and the Board of Trustees. At its February session, the Board of Trustees went on record as favoring the working out of a plan whereby the alumni will be permitted to nominate a certain number of trustees to the Southern Christian Convention to be endorsed by it as candidates for membership in the Board of Trustees, to be elected in the usual way by the board at its May meeting each two years. We recommend that the Southern Christian Convention authorize the Board of Trustees of the college to proceed with this matter according to its best judgment.

The committee especially commends the General Alumni Association for the publication of *The Elon Alumni Voice,* as the official organ of the alumni of the college. We are gratified to find the high estimate that has been placed upon this magazine by those who are capable of judging the value of such publications. It has at once taken high rank among the alumni magazines of the country. We congratulate the association upon its success in this matter.

(e) *Co-operation with the Atlanta Theological Seminary.*

As is generally known, the Atlanta Theological Seminary, an institution of the Congregational Church located in Atlanta, Ga., is considering moving to Elon College and associating itself closely with the Department of Christian Education in Elon. We express our approval of this co-operation in principle and recommend that the Convention approve the same, referring the details of the plan to the trustees of Elon College, with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Convention.

(f) *Endowment.*

The Board of Trustees of Elon College, at their February session, voted that the Southern Christian Convention, at this session, be requested to grant them permission within the next three years to enter upon a campaign to raise sufficient money to pay off all indebtedness and to make the endowment of the college net a million dollars. The Board of Trustees of Elon College, therefore, respectfully request, through this committee, that this permission be granted them and that the campaign begin during the next three years at such time as in their judgment it may be wise.

II. BETHLEHEM COLLEGE.

Bethlehem College reports the following facts with reference to itself for the past two years:

(a) *Enrollment and Financial Facts.*

	College.	High School.
Enrollment 1926-27	62	158
Enrollment 1927-28	41	151
Graduates 1926-27	15	27
Graduates 1927-28	15	28

Value of buildings, 1926	$40,000.00
Value of buildings, 1928	80,000.00
Raised for current expenses past two years	20,000.00
Raised for buildings past two years	35,000.00
Indebtedness of college	25,000.00
Operating expense past two years	27,000.00

The Convention is requested to authorize the raising of $10,000 annually for the current operating expenses and to permit the solicitation of funds to com-

plete and equip the building now in process and liquidate the indebtedness, a total of $50,000. We recommend that these items be approved. Bethlehem needs an endowment of $250,000. We recommend that the college, in its option, undertake to raise the same.

(b) *Co-operation with Piedmont College.*

The boards of trustees of Bethlehem College and of Piedmont College, a college of the Congregational Church located at Demorest, Ga., have voted on a basis of co-operation with each other.

We recommend that co-operation between these schools be approved in principle by the Convention at this time, the details to be worked out between the boards of trustees of the institutions, the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention to approve such plan, so far as Bethlehem College is concerned. The Executive Board of the Convention is hereby authorized and empowered to take the necessary legal steps to make this decision effective.

W. A. HARPER,
W. W. STALEY,
S. L. BEOUGHER,
JOHN G. TRUITT,
E. L. MOFFITT,
Committee.

Report of Custodian of Funds for Ministerial Education was adopted, as follows:

REPORT CUSTODIAN OF FUNDS FOR MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

As Custodian of the Ministerial Funds of the Southern Christian Convention, I have the honor to submit to you the following report:

Receipts Since Last Meeting of Convention.

1926.		
Oct. 22.	Mrs. H. B. Floyd, Ga. & Ala. Conference	$ 310.99
Dec. 6.	G. O. Lankford, on note	28.13
1927.		
Jan. 8.	L. E. Smith, from Conferences	524.81
Mar. 11.	J. U. Fogleman, on note	26.00
Dec. 23.	L. E. Smith	125.00
27.	L. E. Smith	99.48
1928.		
Jan. 31.	L. L. Wyrick, on note	25.00
	Total receipts	$1,139.41

Disbursements Since Last Meeting of Convention.

1926.		
Sep. 15.	G. H. Veazey, on note	$ 100.00
27.	Joe French, on note	200.00
Dec. 20.	Silas Madren, on note	50.00
30.	Joseph E. McCauley, on note	100.00
1927.		
Jan. 7.	G. H. Veazey, on note	150.00
19.	Silas Madren, on note	50.00
Nov. 16.	C. C. Dollar, on note	100.00
21.	G. H. Veazey, on note	100.00
	G. S. Hunt, on note	100.00
	Joe French, on note	100.00
Dec. 10.	Silas Madren, on note	75.00

1928.		
Jan. 5.	C. C. Dollar, on note	100.00
	Joe French, on note	100.00
12.	H. G. Robinson, on note	150.00
20.	Silas Madren, on note	75.00
Feb. 8.	G. H. Zeazey, on note	75.00
	Total disbursements	$1,525.00

You will notice the disbursements during this biennium exceeds the receipts by $380.59.

You will further notice that the receipts for ministerial funds have fallen off during the last two years. This will mean that unless those who are owing money to this fund pay shortly, the fund will commence being depleted.

The custodian has in his hands at present the following notes:

W. H. Brewer	$ 100.00
R. F. Brown	45.00
R. F. Brown	100.00
E. Carl Brady	250.00
H. E. Crutchfield	250.00
E. M. Carter	150.00
G. E. Crutchfield	900.00
C. Carl Dollar	250.00
Jessie H. Dollar	875.00
W. B. Fuller	125.00
J. U. Fogleman	174.11
Hamilton J. Fleming	230.00
Joe French	400.00
H. T. Gray	100.00
W. C. Hook	50.00
W. J. B. Hines	140.00
G. S. Hunt	200.00
A. H. Hook	600.00
J. V. Knight	175.00
Siddie Latham	100.00
S. M. Lynam	700.00
S. D. Lankford	250.00
Silas Madren	350.00
Joseph E. McCauley	225.00
M. A. Pollard	600.00
H. George Robertson	150.00
C. B. Riddle	255.00
Dwight M. Spense	400.00
W. T. Scott	700.00
W. B. Terrill	450.00
I. T. Underwood	140.00
G. H. Veazey	450.00
W. L. Wells	310.00
L. L. Wyrick	25.00
Total	$10,219.11

In addition to the above, your custodian has the following:

Cash in bank and in certificates	$ 325.00
Real estate bonds (Stan. Real & Sec. Co.)	2,250.00

The custodian sent out letters some time ago to those who are due notes to this fund and failed to get any response except from about three or four of the ministers. Some of these men are still in college and are still on expense. Many of the others have completed their college course and have been out at work for some time. They should be paying on these ministerial notes, and I would sug-

gest that the Convention formulate some plan whereby these persons could be induced to settle their notes.

Most respectfully,

THOMAS C. AMICK,
Custodian Southern Christian Convention Funds.

No report was received from the Board of Religious Education.

Report of Committee on Men's Organization was made a special order for Friday at 9:15 A. M.

Convention adjourned until 7:30 P. M. Benediction by Rev. E. M. Carter.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met at 7:30 o'clock. Anthem by the choir. Worship conducted by Dr. W. S. Alexander, Elon College, N. C.

Mrs. D. P. Barrett was presented with a life membership certificate of the Woman's Board by Mrs. J. A. Williams, President.

Address: "Christian Colleges Training Christian Leadership," by Prof. S. A. Bennett.

Address: "Atlanta Seminary," by Dr. L. H. Keller, president.

Anthem by the choir.

Address: "Christian Colleges and Christian Union," by Dr. W. A. Harper, Elon College, N. C.

Address: "Program of Education," by Dr. Robert L. Kelley.

Dr. C. H. Rowland spoke concerning the superannuated endowment fund, and a number of pledges were made.

Dr. F. W. Boatwright, president of the University of Richmond, was introduced.

Convention adjourned till 9 A. M. tomorrow. Benediction by Dr. F. W. Boatwright.

FOURTH DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 1928

Convention met at 9 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Minutes read and approved.

Worship conducted by Rev. W. C. Hook; theme: "The Commission."

It was moved and carried that the matter of the distribution of the funds from Conference apportionments for colleges be referred to the Board of Finance.

Report of Committee on Men's Organization was read by Rev. J. G. Truitt, chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MEN'S WORK.

The demand for a men's organization in our Church has been steadily growing for many years. Several local Churches have developed men's organizations,

some of which are having careers, others have failed to function for any length of time. But the need for a real, live men's organization in every local Church steadily increases, and along with this need is the greater need of combining strength of the entire manhood of our Church. Your committee came to its task with humility because it saw the seriousness and bigness of the attempt to formulate some organization which would begin to lead Christian Church men into a united fellowship and service commensurate with the demands of the Church and the commands of Christ.

From the very first meeting of the committee, we found ourselves confronted with a long line of questions, and many of them important: What shall be the name of a men's organization that will appeal to all, be easy to announce in Church, understandable, and expressive of just what is meant? Can an organization be simple enough for all types of Churches to find it workable, and yet complexed enough to hold its place in the larger Churches? What shall be the purpose of a men's organization? How shall it accomplish that purpose? And will it be but another organization thrust upon an already over-organized Church? Will it be all-inclusive in the type of work it undertakes, or specifically set itself to some one task? Are there not dangers of driving the Church into some one direction to the detriment of some other field of service? What are other Churches doing? What are the women doing? And how are they doing it? These are but a few of the questions which confronted the committee, but they are enough to show that the committee had a tremendous task before it.

Your committee met and implored Divine guidance in the matters at hand, set itself to the task of finding out how the other denominations of the country were solving the problem, and of observing, if possible, the strength and weaknesses of their organizations and programs. Organizations within our Church were studied, both men's organizations and women's organizations. Their strength and weaknesses were sought out as far as possible, and then the committee began to draft results of their study. Counsel was sought from all sources among our leaders, both of men and women. Your committee has drafted its final work, and while it does not begin to claim any perfection for its propositions, it does believe that it has for your consideration a working and workable basis upon which this Convention may seek to set the whole manhood of the Church behind its every enterprise.

I. Name: Christian Church Men.

II. Purpose: Interest.

1. Interest the Christian Church Men more vitally in their own local Churches.
2. Interest the Christian Church Men more vitally in their sister Christian Churches.
3. Interest the Christian Church Men more vitally in general advancement along all lines of kingdom service in the Christian Church.
4. To the end that the entire manhood of the Christian Church may be placed more definitely back of every enterprise of the Christian Church.

III. Methods: (a) Organization.

1. The organization of a local unit of Christian Church Men in each Christian Church to meet monthly.
2. The organization of a district of Christian Church Men to meet quarterly.
3. The organization of a Conference of Christian Church Men to meet annually, preferably in April.
4. The organization of the Christian Church Men of the Southern Christian Convention to meet biennially, preferably in June.
5. The organizing of boys' work as a component part of the Christian Church Men.

6. The election of a leader in each organization of Christian Church Men as a leader of said organization and an agent through which any other organization or agency may work in a given organization; as a leader of a local unit, a district, a Conference and a Convention.

7. The appointing by the President of the Convention of a committee of five to further the work of Christian Church Men, the chairman of which committee to be the Convention leader of Christian Church Men.

(b) Information.

1. Instruction in the local unit, emphasizing worship, fellowship, stewardship, evangelism and missions.

2. Informational and inspirational addresses.

3. The developing of a literature, the use of the press, and a page in *The Christian Sun.*

(c) Co-operation.

1. Working together in developing a strong local Church.
2. Planning for larger co-operative work in quarterly sessions.
3. Co-operation in the widest kingdom reaches.

IV. Field: The world.

1. Missions: Home and foreign.
2. Education: Secular and religious.
3. Welfare: Children and aged.
4. General: Convention and publication.

We recommend that each Church organize its men under the above name, purpose and plan, fitting the particular needs and requirements of the local situation into their organization. We would suggest the following general outlines of organization:

1. Name: Christian Church Men.
2. Purpose: (same as that written above).
3. Officers: Leader, assistant leader, secretary, treasurer.
4. Meetings: Monthly.
5. Members: Christian Church men, as the organization itself may elect.
6. Study courses: Prescribed by the committee of five.
7. Dues: Such as may be determined upon, a certain portion of which going to the committee of five for expenses.
8. Boys: Organized under the auspices of the Christian Church Men.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. TRUITT, *Ch'n,*
W. H. BOONE,
W. A. HARPER,
J. M. DARDEN,
JESSE F. WEST, JR.,
Committee.

Report of Board of Publications was read by Prof. L. L. Vaughan, chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS.

We, your Board of Publications, beg leave to submit the following report:

It is the opinion of the board that *The Christian Sun,* as it has been produced during the closing biennium, has been, in material presented and in general appearance and tone, such as to be of credit to our Church and people. The board deplores the fact that *The Sun* is not receiving a wider circulation among our people, and urges that every agency of the Church aid in increasing the subscription list.

The board wishes to recognize the receipt of a resolution from the General Convention of the Christian Church requesting the Southern Christian Conven-

tion to carefully consider the wisdom of merging *The Christian Sun* with the *Herald of Gospel Liberty, Christian Missionary* and the *Journal of Christian Education.* The board has carefully considered the resolution and is of the opinion that it will neither be of profit to the General Convention nor expedient for the Southern Christian Convention to accept the request.

We endorse the editorial staff as recommended by the Committee on Nominations, which adds Mr. Chas. D. Johnston as circulation manager.

We recommend that any vacancy in the editorial staff be filled by the Board of Publications, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the Convention.

We recommend that the Board of Publications, in connection with the circulation manager, work out some plan for increasing subscriptions to *The Christian Sun,* and that the ministers and laymen of the Convention be asked to cooperate in making the plan adopted effective.

We recommend that the Secretary of the Convention serve as editor of THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL; that the secretaries of the Conferences be requested to send copy of proceedings to the editor promptly; that the Board of Publications make contract for printing THE ANNUAL.

We recommend that the Convention make the following contract with the Central Publishing Company, of Richmond, Va.:

P. J. Kernodle serve as managing editor of *The Christian Sun,* and the Central Publishing Company print, mail and post an average weekly issue of three thousand (3,000) copies of *The Christian Sun,* of sixteen pages, size 11x14 inches trimmed, set in ten-point type, the advertising therein not to exceed an average of six pages per week, same to be printed on fifty-eight-pound machine book white paper.

Provided, and upon condition, that the said company shall receive one hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fifty cents ($138.50) per issue per week for fifty-one issues per year, payable in monthly installments, for 3,000 copies. All additional copies to be printed and mailed at the rate of $2.20 per hundred. Also that all revenue received from advertising to go to the Central Publishing Company.

It is further agreed that this contract shall be and remain in force for a period of two years from and after July 1, 1928, unless said contract shall be sooner terminated by the mutual consent of the Central Publishing Company and the Board of Publications of the Southern Christian Convention.

CENTRAL PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.,
By P. J. Kernodle, President.
BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS OF S. C. C.,
By L. L. Vaughan, Chairman.

L. L. VAUGHAN, *Ch'n,*
N. G. NEWMAN,
P. H. FLEMING,
E. L. MOFFITT,
Board of Publications.

Report of the Editor of *The Christian Sun* was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN SUN.

For four years now, *The Christian Sun* has been edited by a board of editors, and during the biennium just closed this board has consisted of the following persons: J. O. Atkinson, editor-in-chief, Elon College, N. C.; associate editors: Dr. W. W. Staley, Suffolk, Va.; Dr. W. A. Harper, Elon College, N. C.; Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C., and Dr. R. C. Helfenstein, Dover, Del.; news editor, Rev. S. M. Lynam, Toronto, Ont., and managing editor, Dr. P. J. Kernodle, Richmond, Va. In addition to their editorial duties, Dr. W. W. Staley

and Dr. W. A. Harper have contributed weekly the "Suffolk Letter" and the "Elon Letter," respectively.

In addition to the board of editors, *The Christian Sun* has been served by the following regular contributors: For Sunday School Lessons, Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va.; The Family Altar, Chaplain H. E. Rountree, of the United States Navy; the Kiddies' Korner, Mrs. Madge Moffitt Whitesell, High Point, N. C.; for the Christian Orphanage, Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C.; and Christian Endeavor Notes, Miss Pattie Coghill, Henderson, N. C.; Pulpit, Rev. J. G. Truitt.

Each of these editors and regular contributors serves *The Christian Sun* without cost. This arrangement, after four years of trial, appears to be satisfactory to the Church, and there has been no word of complaint from any of these who have served the Church without money and without price as a labor of love and devotion to the cause. Nor must I fail to express the grateful appreciation of the editor for the fine and growing list of contributors who have written from time to time for the columns of *The Christian Sun,* sending in news items and messages of uplift and inspiration. It is hoped that the number of those who serve the Church in this way will increase.

On October 1, 1926, at the request of the Board of Publications, I took over the collections of *The Christian Sun* mailing list, and have collected since then as follows:

October 30, 1926	$ 433.42
November 30, 1926	878.17
December 31, 1926	465.30
January 31, 1927	490.70
February 28, 1927	606.50
March 31, 1927	448.70
April 30, 1927	231.70
May 31, 1927	226.85
June 30, 1927	438.50
July 30, 1927	337.49
August 31, 1927	126.09
September 30, 1927	218.04
October 31, 1927	414.00
November 30, 1927	470.26
December 31, 1927	301.35
January 31, 1928	510.81
February 29, 1928	369.80
March 31, 1928	261.40
Total	$7,229.08

I have remitted each month to Dr. L. E. Smith, President Southern Christian Convention, as per the above itemized list of collections.

Dr. Smith also has placed in my hands from time to time sums of money to be used for postage, stationery and incidental items. The sums received are as follows:

October 1, 1926	$ 100.00
December 13, 1926	100.00
February 11, 1927	50.00
April 27, 1927	25.00
August 20, 1927	50.00
November 14, 1927	50.00
December 23, 1927	75.00
March 7, 1928	54.80
Total	$ 504.80

There remains on hand to this fund at the time of this report a balance of $12.83.

PRINCIPLES AND GOVERNMENT.

Since the Durham session of the Convention, I have sold seventy-two copies of the "Principles and Government." Of these, sixteen copies remain unpaid for. I have also sold certain copies of membership certificates, Church letters and "Wellons' Family Worship." The total cash income from these sources is $27.65, which remains in bank at the time of this report. There are on hand and unsold in the stack-room of the Elon College library, ninety-eight copies of the "Principles and Government."

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON, *Editor.*
By W. A. HARPER, *Acting Editor.*

Report of the Managing Editor of *The Christian Sun* was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF MANAGING EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN SUN.

INTRODUCTION.

(1) We read with pleasure the report of the Commission on Publications to the General Christian Convention, which recommended the publishing of a paper by each of the several regional Conventions. The report was adopted. Up to this time, no forward steps have been taken to make effective the action of the Convention. It is evident that the influence of papers are more or less local. Those who think and observe will readily see that our Church is developing in the territory contiguous to the papers, but is waning in the territory remote from them. Therefore, the only argument needed for establishing regional Convention papers is the statement just made.

(2) *The Christian Sun,* the official organ of the Southern Christian Convention, is functioning successfully. *The Christian Sun* has strengthened our Churches to do missionary work in both the home and foreign fields; it has built our colleges to advance learning, and founded our Orphanage to help the helpless. Missions, now advocated so strongly by the Christian Church, were begun by *The Christian Sun.* Only a few persons now living know of the signing of bonds, the interest on which constituted the first mission funds. Other methods of raising mission funds followed until now we are operating under what is known as the budget system.

(3) Had there been maintained papers in the several localities, now designated as regional Conventions, doubtless each district would have been as well developed as is the Southern Christian Convention. Advertising makes known what is in the market, and a follow-up salesman will produce the results. What is the use of a Secretary of Religious Education, or of Missions, if not to act the part of a salesman? To give permanency to evangelistic work, the Church paper is needed. The salary of the evangelist requires money; the deficit of the Church paper will require less. In short, a secretary's work, without the Church paper, will dissipate itself and come to naught.

(4) A certain institution of learning, established three-quarters of a century ago, which, if it had received the support of the official Church paper, should have been worth millions of dollars to the Church. Now it is not an asset at all to the Church. Divide its possible value of $6,000,000 by seventy-five years, and $80,000 is the average yearly value. Suppose it had cost $5,000 or $10,000 a year—see what a return for the investment! What might have been a great university is forever gone.

(5) Elon College has been established a little less than forty years. Divide $1,000,000 by 40, and the net value per year is $25,000. Suppose $5,000 spent to meet a deficit. Without *The Christian Sun* it is doubtful if there would have been an Elon College.

(6) No one doubts the value of the Church paper to the Orphanage, reporting its acquisitions and offerings.

(7) Every page of *The Christian Sun* is saturated with the mission idea and the evangelistic spirit. It believes in Church unity, but faith without works is dead.

(8) Why be concerned as to the Church paper? The object is not to build a paper only as it serves an end—the support of the Church institutions: colleges, missions, evangelism, orphanage, and whatever the Church should undertake and foster.

(9) It has been ascertained that only 10 per cent of the members of Churches, of their own accord, support their Church paper; also that this 10 per cent gives 90 per cent of the funds used for the benevolences of the Church. Why not make an effort to enlist the other 90 per cent at least in part?

REPORT.

(10) For the past six years *The Christian Sun* has had its publication office in Richmond, Va., being printed by the Central Publishing Company, Inc. It was enlarged and has given 50 per cent more reading matter than formerly, with many good articles left over after each issue. During four years of this time the managing editor was charged with the circulation and collection of subscriptions. The list of subscribers was increased during that period from 2,200 (2,184 to be exact) to 2,770, reaching in the meantime a circulation of over 3,000 copies. At the end of the third year the list was pruned, reducing the number to 2,700 or a little less.

(11) During the past two years, which began with a list of 2,770 subscribers, there have been added new subscribers sufficient to replace those discontinued and to increase the list to 2,857 during the month of March, 1928. With the last issue in March, 93 "specials" were dropped, leaving the number on the list of 2,764 as of April 1, 1928. Through last summer's agitation, the matter of *The Christian Sun* was brought prominently before the Conferences in the fall by a general appeal for support of the Church paper. Many new subscribers were added, which in great measure brought up the list. As can be seen, the list has not been enlarged, but collections have been stressed.

(12) The returns from subscriptions for each of the four years were as follows: 1922 (July to July), $2,762.22; 1923-24, $2,728.12; 1924-25, $3,200.95; 1925-26, $1,986.22. The cost was supplemented by an additional bonus of $250 paid monthly on the cost of publication. In the first two years 805 new subscribers were added, with 1,774 renewals, and in the succeeding two years 318 new subscribers added, with 1,784 renewals. The years 1926-27 and 1927-28 have been under the direction of the Publication Board, and we are not able to report as to collections, but the subscription list shows 494 new subscribers, with 2,208 renewals.

(13) With the present subscription list, after allowing for most favorable collections, there must necessarily be a deficit to be provided for by the Convention.

(14) The managing editor desires to add that he has endeavored to cooperate with the Publication Board and the Board of Editors, and has tried to serve to the best of his ability. Co-operation has been mutual and, glad to say, most pleasant.

P. J. KERNODLE,
Managing Editor.

On motion, items 14, 15, 16 and 17 were referred to the Board of Publications for consideration.

It was moved and carried that the Board of Publications be requested to make an allotment to each of the Conferences of the number of new subscribers to be secured for *The Christian Sun.*

Report of the Committee on Resolutions was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, wish to offer the following:

1. That we express by rising vote our hearty appreciation to the Richmond Christian Church, its genial pastor, excellent choir, and other people of the community for their generous hospitality, unselfish service and splendid music in making this session of the Convention one of the most enjoyable and successful sessions in its history.

2. That we express our appreciation to the Committee on Publicity and to Mr. C. M. Cannon in particular, for the excellent reports of this Convention to the daily press in North Carolina and Virginia and to the press for the generous service rendered in publishing these reports.

3. That we record our high appreciation for the presence and fine, Christian fellowship of the several distinguished speakers and visitors present in this Convention who have contributed so largely to the fine Christian spirit and forward-looking policy and program which we have adopted.

In particular, we would mention the following representatives from the Congregational Church: Rev. W. Knighton Bloom, D. D., regional home mission secretary, Washington, D. C.; Rev. Jason Noble Pierce, D. D., pastor First Congregational Church, Washington, D. C.; Rev. Frank E. Jenkins, D. D., president Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga.; Rev. Lewis W. Keller, D. D., president Atlanta Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.; Rev. Robert L. Kelley, D. D., executive secretary of Interchurch Boards of Education, and Mrs. Kelley, New York City; Rev. F. P. Ensminger, D. D., district home mission secretary, Demorest, Ga.; Rev. J. Edward Kirbye, D. D., pastor United Church, Raleigh, N. C.

4. That we set as a goal for the biennium 10 per cent increase of membership, and that we urge our ministers and layety to give themselves diligently to earnest prayer, personal work and evangelistic efforts to reach this goal.

G. O. LANKFORD,
A. W. ANDES,
W. C. WICKER,
Committee.

The report of the Executive Board was submitted and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

At a meeting held in Suffolk, Va., February 14, 1927, it was moved and carried that it is the opinion of the Executive Board that the action of the 1926 session of the Southern Christian Convention, pertaining to the benevolence budget, permits Elon and Bethlehem Colleges, the Christian Orphanage and the Mission Board to accept personal contributions in sums of less than $5,000 to be kept as permanent funds, endowment funds, without giving credit to the local Church for same, whenever the person or persons making such gifts make a request, in writing, that such credit shall be given.

At a meeting of the Executive Board on August 28, 1928, Mrs. J. A. Williams, president of the Woman's Board, presented a request that the Executive Board seek to secure a settlement of Mrs. W. T. Walters' account as treasurer of the Woman's Board. On the basis of this request, the Woman's Board was requested to present an audited account of the books of Mrs. W. T. Walters, treasurer. Consequently, this report was submitted to the board, and after repeated conferences with Dr. W. T. Walters and other interested parties, the Executive Board agreed on the following terms of settlement, namely: $5,000 to be paid in cash, in addition to previous payments of $324.70 on or before April 30, 1928.

These terms have been complied with, and checks for the $5,000 are herewith presented. We recommend that this basis of settlement be accepted by this Convention and the money be credited pro rata to the proper accounts of the Convention Treasurer.

We have prepared program submitted. We have had a number of meetings with heads of departments and considered matters which will come in the reports of these various departments.

We recommend that the Conferences of this Convention demand a very high standard of moral character and financial integrity of the ministry, and that Conferences seek to use proper discipline to enforce these high standards.

We also recommend that this Convention and the Conferences require all officials to make a full report of all official financial transcations pertaining to their respective office when requested to do so, and that these reports shall be properly audited before being adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. SMITH.
E. E. HOLLAND.
I. W. JOHNSON.

On motion, the Convention approved the plan suggested by the President for paying off the indebtedness of the colleges and raising endowment, as follows:

STATEMENT WITH REFERENCE TO ELON AND BETHLEHEM COLLEGES, WITH RECOMMENDATIONS.

ELON.

1. Assets:

Value of property	$1,202,551.04
Endowment	520,738.60

2. Liabilities:

Indebtedness	$ 426,740.00

Distributed as follows: Debt on old buildings.....$114,750.00
Debt on new buildings..... 311,990.00

(Of this $311,990, $117,481.73 is on building bearing names of donors, which leaves a balance of $194,509 unprovided for.)

3. Needs: Clear the college of indebtedness and increase endowment to $1,000,000.

4. How: (1) Ask those who donated buildings, and which buildings bear their names, to take over balance of same, relieving the college of this indebtedness and the Church of interest charged, on the condition that the Church raise the remainder of the indebtedness. This will relieve the college and guarantee its membership in the Southern Association of Colleges.

(2) The Church's share to raise: $309,259. Raise $200,000 in large gifts, $109,259 in smaller gifts from the rank and file of the Church.

(3) Endowment: amount, $500,000. Raise $200,000 from folks in Church and out in gifts of $1,000 and more, and $300,000 from General Education Board and other organizations, funds and boards.

5. Plan and organization: The Convention to appoint a committee of five who shall work out details, effect the organization, inform the Church at large, decide on date of beginning and direct campaign.

Indebtedness: Have some one to head up the drive for indebtedness. Have a large gifts' committee. Have a small gifts' committee.

Endowment: Have a committee within the Church. Have a committee to work outside the Church.

BETHLEHEM.

6. That a committee of five be appointed with power to act, together with the Executive Committee of the Convention and the Board of Trustees of Bethlehem College, to study the conditions of Bethlehem, consider its present needs, its future demands and act, safeguarding the interest of the Christian Church.

L. E. SMITH, *President.*

It was moved and carried that the proceedings of the Convention be printed in pamphlet form, 500 copies distributed, and then to be printed in THE ANNUAL.

It was moved and carried that all reports for the next session be submitted to the President two weeks before the opening day, and a sufficient number of copies be mimeographed for distribution at the Convention.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Central Publishing Company:	
2,000 record cards	$ 7.50
500 Church reports	12.00
500 programs	9.50

The President announced the following committees for the next biennium:

Board of Finance—L. E. Smith, E. E. Holland, I. W. Johnson, K. B. Johnson, J. A. Williams.

Evangelism—H. C. Caviness, J. F. Morgan, O. D. Poythress, A. W. Andes, J. W. Barrett.

Education—W. A. Harper, W. W. Staley, E. L. Moffitt, J. G. Truitt, S. L. Beougher.

Social Service—H. S. Hardcastle, F. C. Lester, B. J. Earp, R. L. Williamson.

Temperance—G. O. Lankford, E. M. Carter, J. L. Foster, W. B. Fuller, J. A. Kimball.

Men's Work—J. G. Truitt, W. H. Boone, W. A. Harper, J. M. Darden, Jesse F. West, Jr.

Mr. C. M. Cannon, the Convention Reporter, was introduced to the Convention.

Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Convention adjourned, to meet Tuesday before the first Sunday in May, 1930, at such hour and place as may be designated by the Executive Board.

Closing service and benediction by Rev. F. C. Lester, Waverly, Va.

L. E. SMITH, *President.*
I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

ADDENDA.

The copy for the following report was received too late for incorporation into the body of the Convention Minutes.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Board of Christian Education is conscious of the large responsibility placed upon it by the Convention, and has endeavored to render the best service possible during the biennium. It is true that there is an increasing need of religious education in the homes and Churches of our land, and the kind of Christian education under the proper conditions (and this involves better bulidings, equipment, teachers and teaching) which will result in cleaner, stronger and more Christian living. The test of all our Christian education is whether it produces Christians who live the "Jesus way."

It is true that over 83 per cent of our Church members—and, to be sure, the most useful ones—come through the Sunday School. This places a larger responsibility upon the Sunday School and its agencies.

It is equally true that our Sunday Schools have not fully realized their responsibility, nor discharged their duty in regard to the building of Christian character through Christian education. We cannot even tell what would happen if we seriously set ourselves to this task.

Realizing that ours is a great opportunity for service, we have endeavored to teach the schools and Churches of the Convention in the largest possible way, even though the work has been seriously handicapped because of limited funds. Even though the financial side has been discouraging, we have been much pleased with the number of Churches who have asked the assistance of the board in one way or another.

GENERAL CONDITION.

There is without doubt more interest in religious education in our Convention than at any previous time, but at the same time there has not been adequate financial support. It is the feeling of the board that this financial condition has been caused by a lack of knowledge on the part of our Churches of the real financial conditions of the board. Finances have been in such a bad shape that since the last Convention active work (field and office) had to be suspended for six months—April to October, 1927. This meant that the Elon and Bethlehem Summer Schools had to be neglected, and also a general falling off in the work.

It is an encouraging fact, though, that so many of our Churches are adding Sunday School rooms and better equipment and doing definite work along the line of leadership training.

CO-OPERATION WITH THE GENERAL BOARD.

There has been the closest co-operation between the Southern Board of Christian Education and the Department of Christian Education of the General Convention. Our field worker, who is also the regional director of Christian education of the Southern Convention, was employed in the office of the Department of Christian Education in Dayton, Ohio, during the time work was suspended in this Convention.

Literature from the General Board is furnished us willingly and without cost for the most part for our work. Miss Lucy Eldredge was with us at the Elon and Bethlehem Summer Schools in 1926 and at Elon in 1927. The General Board also paid the expenses of travel of our chairman, Dr. Lightbourne, to the Bethlehem Summer School. Mr. Eldredge will attend the Elon Summer School this year and will send a representative to Bethlehem.

BOARD MEETING.

At the board meeting held at Elon College last July it was decided to resume active work, beginning the 1st of October. At this time Miss Pattie Cog-

hill was elected field secretary, with a salary of $100 per month, with the understanding that if at the end of the year funds were available, additional salary would be paid, making $125 per month.

FIELD WORK.

We are working on a map showing the location of all the Churches of the Southern Convenioln for two reasons. First, that we may check up on how many Churches have been reached in a definite way for Christian education, and to designate the same, and secondly for use in planning field work.

Field work has been done in each Conference of the Convention during the biennium, through attendance upon Conferences, Sunday School and Christian Endeavor conventions, summer schools, congresses, general and special institutes, and visits to local Churches. The field worker, or some other representative of the board attends the annual Conferences whenever possible and presents the work publicly and in personal conferences. The board assists in preparing the programs of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions, collecting statistics and promoting attendance. There are increasing opportunities for assisting in the general Christian education work of the Convention through committee meetings and work with individuals. More emphasis has been placed on institute work during the past two years, hoping to reach a larger number of Churches, and more effectively.

CHILDREN'S WORK.

Special effort has been put forth to increase interest in children's work through addresses, personal letters, distributing literature, institutes and the promotion of daily vacation Bible schools. In the institutes held, it has been the purpose to get those best trained in the work to assist in putting them on. There is an increased interest in daily vacation Bible schools, and we are endeavoring to increase this through articles in *The Christian Sun,* personal letters and conferences, institutes and a special offer to local Churches in financing them.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

This is where our emphasis has been placed during the past two years. There have been so many calls for help because, first, young people of our Churches are not active and need to have the work of the Church presented to them; but, secondly, more because there is an active interest on the part of the young people themselves and a desire for information and something to do.

It has been our purpose to guide the young people in this new interest and to help them individually as well as in groups. There are on our mailing list a group of as fine young people as are to be found anywhere, and of whom the Church should be proud. Our number of active young people is growing rapidly.

The field secretary attended the general young people's meeting in Dayton, Ohio, during the Christmas vacation 1927, and received information and inspiration which has been helpful and is continuing to be helpful in working with young people.

A young people's congress has been organized in the Western North Carolina Conference and the young people of this group are co-operating in promoting the Conference work. The Conference has been divided into districts and rallies have been held in the districts. A congress has been organized in Eastern Virginia and is doing good work. It is promoting rallies in the various districts. There is active interest in young people's work in all the Conferences of the Convention.

SUMMER SCHOOLS.

The summer schools of Christian education held at Elon and Bethlehem Colleges each year are serving as a unifying force among our Churches and are doing a great work in training in Sunday School, Christian Endeavor, missionary, and the other work of the Church. Each year the attendance is getting more representative and our aim is to reach every Church.

It has been decided by the board to put the emphasis on young people's work at the Elon School because of the fact that the attendance has been made up, for the most part, of young people. This means that the program and activities have been planned with the needs of the young people themselves in mind; however, it is desired earnestly that all of those interested in young people and the work of the Sunday School will attend. Date this year, June 23-30.

The Bethlehem Summer School, July 1-7, has a good program, and more interest than usual is being shown in promoting it.

We are glad to welcome into the school this year members of the Congregational Churches in both sections. A prize of $5.00 has been offered by a young person to the person writing the best paper on "Why I Should Like to Attend the Elon Summer School," and another $5.00 for a similar paper on the Bethlehem School.

OFFICE WORK.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Handbook was not published this year because of lack of funds.

Rev. H. S. Hardcastle has furnished notes on the Sunday School Lessons for *The Christian Sun* each week, and notes on the Christian Endeavor topics have been supplied by the secretary and Dr. P. J. Kernodle.

The board has a small library of Christian education books (general and special), and these have been lent out to interested individuals. Literature on Christian education has been distributed throughout the Convention.

The general office work has been carried on and is becoming larger all the time. This includes form letters, announcements, personal letters, and so forth. Articles have been furnished from time to time on Christian education topics and news notes for *The Christian Sun*.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

August 1, 1926, to August 1, 1927.

1926.		
Aug. 1. Balance in bank		$ 29.36
Receipts.		
S. S. & C. E. Conventions:		
Eastern Virginia S. S. & C. E. Convention	$500.00	
Eastern Virginia S. S. & C. E. Convention	100.00	
Alabama S. S. & C. E. Convention	9.65	
Georgia and Alabama Convention	46.75	
Virginia Valley S. S. & C. E. Convention	173.00	
Western North Carolina S. S. & C. E. Convention	25.00	
		854.40
Conference:		
North Carolina and Virginia Conference		150.00
Christian Education:		
Raleigh, First Church	$ 16.00	
Liberty (Vance)	5.27	
Leaksville Sunday School, Luray, Va.	5.41	
Pleasant Ridge Sunday School	1.00	
Union Sunday School, Virgilina, Va.	2.62	
Georgia and Alabama Convention	5.60	
Isle of Wight Church	5.23	
First Church, Richmond, Va.	16.00	
Damascus Sunday School, Chapel Hill	2.69	
Lebanon Sunday School (N. C.)	3.45	
Rosemont Church (Va.)	20.00	
First Sunday School, Greensboro, N. C.	18.95	
Newport News Sunday School (Va.)	16.00	
Hobson Sunday School (Va.)	2.00	

Suffolk Church friends	29.00	
Dover (Del.) Church	25.00	
First Sunday School, Norfolk, Va.	7.03	
Eastern Virginia S. S. & C. E. Convention	200.00	
Walter E. Brill, personal	5.00	
Holy Neck Church	6.26	
Eastern Virginia Conference	150.00	
Eastern North Carolina Conference	78.00	
		620.51
Sunday Schools and Churches:		
Bible Schools, Bethlehem, Va.	$ 3.33	
Zion Church, Lee County, Va.	3.00	
Spring Hill Church (Va.)	1.83	
Sunday School, Lynchburg, Va.	6.09	
Bethlehem Sunday School (Va.)	5.00	
Union Sunday School, Dendron, Va.	3.48	
First Christian Sunday School, Winchester, Va.	12.00	
First Christian Sunday School, Richmond, Va.	60.00	
First Church, Greensboro, N. C.	10.00	
Holland Church (Va.)	50.00	
Palmyra Sunday School (Va.)	2.00	
United Christian Church (Va.)	10.00	
Mt. Olivet Church, Dyke, Va.	5.00	
Dry Run Church, Valley of Virginia	3.45	
Oakland Sunday School (Children's Day)	6.00	
		181.18
Miscellaneous Accounts:		
Dr. W. T. Walters, refund	$ 1.75	
Farmers Bank, Holland, Va., loan	197.00	
Farmers Bank, Holland, Va., loan	250.00	
		448.75
Total receipts		$2,284.20

Disbursements.

1926.				
Aug.	3.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (July)	$100.00	
Sep.	1.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (August)	100.00	
	17.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (September)	125.00	
Oct.	28.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (October)	125.00	
Nov.	17.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (November)	125.00	
Dec.	17.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (December)	125.00	
Jan.	21.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (January)	125.00	
Mar.	5.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (on February)	100.00	
				$ 925.00
Oct.	14.	Miss Pattie Coghill, expenses (Aug.-Sep.)	$101.42	
Feb.	4.	Miss Pattie Coghill, expenses (Oct.-Nov.-Dec.)	115.95	
				217.37
Apl.	4.	Miss Coghill, salary and expense account to April 1		246.03
Aug.	2.	E. T. Holland, expense board meeting	$ 10.00	
		C. H. Stephenson, expense board meeting	5.00	
				15.00
		Printing:		
Aug.	3.	Central Publishing Company	$ 97.50	
Oct.	14.	A. D. Pate & Co.	36.00	
Dec.	29.	A. D. Pate Printing Company	4.00	
June	6.	Suffolk Printing Company (J. H. L.)	20.00	
				157.50

		Miscellaneous Accounts:		
Aug.	5.	W. T. Walters, expenses, Bethlehem School	$ 35.00	
	3.	Farmers Bank of Holland, Va., note	200.00	
Dec.	14.	Farmers Bank of Holland, Va., note	200.00	
Jan.	10.	Mrs. S. L. Beougher, Bethlehem College	10.00	
Apl.	2.	Interest Farmers Bank note	5.00	
June	22.	J. H. Lightbourne, expense account	27.75	
				477.75
		Chautauqua Expenses:		
Jan.	10.	Whitehead & Hoag Company, buttons	$ 10.00	
		Elon College	53.40	
May	3.	The Century Company, "Handbook"	1.58	
July	23.	J. H. Lightbourne, account Elon	100.00	
				164.98
		Total disbursements		$2,203.63
July	23.	Balance in bank		80.57
				$2,284.20

August 1, 1927, to May 1, 1928.

1927.				
Aug.	1.	Balance in bank		$ 80.57
		Receipts.		
		S. S. & C. E. Conventions:		
		Eastern Virginia S. S. & C. E. Convention	$850.00	
		Eastern North Carolina S. S. & C. E. Convention	124.67	
				974.67
		Christian Education:		
		Fullers Chapel S. S. (Children's Day)	$ 5.28	
		Pleasant Grove S. S.	4.00	
		Waverly Christian Church	15.00	
				24.28
		Sunday Schools and Churches:		
		Liberty S. S., Randolph County	$ 7.00	
		United Christian S. S., Lynchburg, Va.	3.86	
		First Christian S. S., Greensboro	25.00	
		Hopewell Church, Hopewell, Va.	2.00	
		Pleasant Ridge S. S.	8.00	
		Bethlehem Church, Valley of Virginia	1.50	
				47.36
		Miscellaneous Accounts:		
		Elon College, advertising Chautauqua	$100.00	
		E. T. Holland, bank loan	295.50	
				395.50
		Total balance and receipts		$1,522.38
		Disbursements.		
1927.				
Oct.	26.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (October)	$100.00	
Nov.	30.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (November)	100.00	
Dec.	12.	Miss Pattie Coghill, expenses (Oct.-Nov.)	42.08	
	31.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (December)	100.00	
Jan.	18.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (January)	100.00	
Mar.	5.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (February)	100.00	
Apl.	4.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (March)	100.00	
	20.	Miss Pattie Coghill, salary (April)	100.00	
				742.08

		Miscellaneous Accounts:		
Aug.	1.	Farmers Bank of Holland, loan	$250.00	
	1.	E. T. Holland, expense board meeting	10.00	
	1.	Typewriter Sales and Service Co., repairs	10.25	
	1.	Jas. H. Lightbourne, expense account	26.00	
Sep.	1.	S. S. Beougher, balance Bethlehem	10.00	
				306.25
		Printing:		
Aug.	1.	Central Publishing Co., printing books	$231.35	
Sep.	15.	Christian Publishing Association, Elon Chau	74.03	
				305.38
		Total disbursements		$1,353.71
May	1.	Balance in bank		168.67
				$1,522.38

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That the members of the Churches of the Conventions seek to better inform themselves of the great work of Christian education, that they may have an intelligent and deeper interest in the possibilities of Christian training of boys and girls, young men and young women, and men and women.

2. That the Churches of the Convention show the interest which we feel they have in this work, through adequate financial support.

3. We recommend that this board work with the Board of Education of the Convention and with the Department of Christian Education of the General Board wherever possible, and that we express our appreciation to the Department of Christian Education for their splendid help and many courtesies.

4. That the Sunday Schools of this Convention use as largely as possible the fine new merged publication, *The Herald of Gospel Liberty,* and also *The Christian Sun,* and that the young people of the Sunday Schools subscribe to *The Sunday School Herald.*

5. That the Churches avail themselves of the offer made by this board to furnish a helper in putting on daily vacation Bible schools this summer.

6. That each Church strive to send at least one person to the Elon or Bethlehem Summer Schools.

7. That the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention of each Conference be asked to more adequately support this board.

C. H. ROWLAND,
J. F. MORGAN.

Proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Convention

MORNING SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Convention of the Southern Christian Convention met in the First Christian Church, Richmond, Va., on Tuesday, May 1, 1928, at 10 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by the President, Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Opening song, "Take Time to Be Holy." Scripture reading by the President (Isa. 55th chapter).

Reports were then given by the following:

In the absence of Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Cradle Roll Superintendent, Mrs. Rowland gave a report of the North Carolina Conference Cradle Roll, Mrs. E. P. Jones gave a report of the Eastern Virginia Conference Cradle Roll.

Report of the Literature and Mite-Box Superintendent, by Mrs. W. V. Leathers.

Report of North Carolina President, read by Mrs. Sellars for Mrs. L. L. Vaughan.

Report of Valley of Virginia Central Conference, by Mrs. B. F. Frank, read by Secretary.

The Alabama Conference reported in the rural Churches: 3 Young People's, 12 Women's Societies and 3 Cradle Rolls.

Report of Treasurer given by Mrs. Hardcastle showed a great deal of work she had done. She gave out reports and had poster to show who had reached their goals. Moved and carried that the report be accepted by a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. Hardcastle for the excellent work she has done as Treasurer.

Mrs. Williams invited the ministers to sit as deliberative members. She also had them come forward to be introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. Williams then gave an inspiring message on the "Missionary Ladder," showing how each society could help, and that every one should climb the missionary ladder until every Church in the Southern Christian Convention becomes a missionary Church.

A special selection of music, "Face to Face," was rendered by Mrs. F. S. Gardner and Mrs. M. W. Stockdon, of the Richmond Church.

Committees for the Convention are as follows:

Organization—Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. E. P. Jones, Mrs. N. G. Newman, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. R. B. Wood.

Finance—Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mrs. Joseph G. Holland.

Resolutions—Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Mrs. J. M. Raby, Mrs. K. B. Johnson, Mrs. J. P. Barrett.

Nominating—Mrs. M. L. Bryant, Mrs. L. B. Norfleet, Mrs. V. L. Carter, Mrs. Franks, Mrs. M. J. W. White.

Banner—Mrs. W. R. Sellers, Mrs. J. B. Gay, Mrs. H. C. Caviness, Mrs. G. L. Stephenson, Mrs. W. H. Baker.

Mrs. Howsare had not arrived, so Dr. Minton spoke in her place on the subject "Adventuring with Christ." He gave a very interesting message on adventuring with Christ in faith, prayer, service and unity.

Moved and carried that the Secretary send a message to Dr. J. O. Atkinson; also one to Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell and Mrs. Floyd Bennett. Dr. Rowland then led in prayer for them.

Moved and carried that the Secretary write Mr. Herbert January a vote of thanks for auditing the Treasurer's books.

Moved and carried that the Woman's Convention pledge ourselves, by a standing vote, that we will not vote for any man who is known not to stand for law enforcement and the enforcement of the eighteenth amendment locally, in the States, and nationally.

An offering of $27.70 was taken this morning.

Closed with devotional service led by Mrs. W. H. Andrews.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

(Held in Randolph Hall at the Old Soldiers' Home.)

Called to order by the President, Mrs. J. A. Williams. Opening song, "Onward, Christian Soldiers." Mrs. W. D. Harward led in prayer. We were then favored by a special selection of music by Mrs. M. W. Stockdon.

Mrs. M. L. Bryant, President of the Eastern Virginia Conference, read her report, which was adopted as read.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland read Dr. Atkinson's message, which was very much enjoyed and appreciated by the Convention. Moved and carried that his message be published in *The Christian Sun.*

Mrs. McD. Howsare addressed the Convention on "How to Interest the Women in the Missionary Societies," which was very instructive. She discussed the following points, which might help to interest us: (1) by patient persuasion; (2) punctuality; (3) interesting programs; (4) prevailing prayer, and (5) helping the pastors.

The round-table discussion was led by Miss Pattie Coghill on "Missions in the Local Church." She called on the following to help in the discussion: Miss Lucy Eldredge discussed the literature which should be used in the mission work; Dr. W. P. Minton discussed the methods of the Church school of missions and how the mission-study books could be used; Miss Mary Lee Williams told how the Franklin, Va., Church used the mission-study book; Rev. F. C. Lester discussed the pastor's place in a missionary program.

Mrs. Barrett, our missionary to Porto Rico, asked that the Woman's Convention appoint at least two members to visit Porto Rico within the

next year, so that we might get a better understanding of the mission work that is being carried on there.

The reports of the committees were given as follows:

Report of the Committee on Organizations—Moved and carried that this report be adopted by items and that the committee be allowed to continue in their work.

Art. 4—Moved and carried that a Department of Spiritual Life be added. Also moved that article 4 of the Constitution shall be amended to include a superintendent of life members and memorials and a Convention editor.

Art. 5—Moved and carried that the Woman's Convention be held in connection with the Southern Christian Convention.

Moved and carried that the superintendent of Young People's Department of this Convention, with the Executive Committee of this body, be a committee to work out a program for our young people that shall include all the activities by young people in a Convention.

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted by items, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We find that the books of our Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, have been audited by Public Accountant Herbert January, of Suffolk, Va., who stated same to be correct. We also find that Mrs. Hardcastle has been bonded for the sum of $5,000, said bond being issued by bonding company represented by West & Withers, Suffolk, Va., in April, 1928.

We would recommend:

1. That the goal for the next biennium remain the same ($25,000), and same to be apportioned among the Conferences as follows:

Eastern Virginia	$13,000.00
North Carolina	10,000.00
Virginia Valley Central	1,000.00
Alabama	750.00
Georgia and Alabama	250.00
	$25,000.00

2. That in order to have some uniform method of caring for the Conference and Convention expenses, the contingent and literature funds be increased to 10 cents per member, including the Young People and Willing Workers, and out of this fund each Conference send to the Convention Treasurer for the Convention expense the following amount:

Eastern Virginia	$ 75.00
North Carolina	75.00
Virginia Valley Central	20.00
Alabama	20.00
Georgia and Alabama	10.00
	$ 200.00

3. That the money from the life membership and memorial certificates go towards establishing a home for the retired missionaries.

4. That all the report blanks used throughout the Convention be uniform, and that each Conference treasurer send the President of the Convention Woman's Board a copy of same report she sends the treasurer each quarter and annually.

MRS. L. W. STAGG.
MRS. H. S. HARDCASTLE.
MRS. NOVELLA V. HOLLAND.

Report of Nominating Committee as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

President, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Franklin, Va.; Vice-President, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Greensboro, N. C.; Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va.; Recording Secretary, Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson, N. C.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. L. Beale, Franklin, Va.; Superintendent of Spiritual Life, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Burlington, N. C.; Superintendent Young People's Work, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Suffolk, Va.; Superintendent of Cradle Roll, Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Suffolk, Va.; Superintendent of Literature and Mite-Boxes, Mrs. H. C. Caviness, Portsmouth, Va.; Conference Editor, Mrs. W. M. Jay, Elon College, N. C.

MRS. M. L. BRYANT, *Ch'n.*
MRS. C. B. NORFLEET.
MRS. V. L. CARTER.

Moved and carried that the report be adopted, and the officers were elected, subject to the approval of the Southern Christian Convention.

Report of Resolutions Committee read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to submit the following:

1. That we express our thanks to the officers for their untiring and efficient services during the past biennium and for the splendid program rendered in this meeting.

2. That we exceedingly regret the absence of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, our beloved Mission Secretary, and urge this Convention to be diligent in earnest prayer for his speedy recovery, and also the recovery of other members of the board who are ill.

3. That we heartily endorse the leading thought expressed in addresses of the morning, and urge each representative to endeavor to promote this spirit in each individual society.

4. That we express our hearty appreciation to the Richmond Christian Church for its most hospitable reception and entertainment.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. ANDREWS.
MRS. J. P. BARRETT.
MRS. J. M. RABY.

The Banner Committee reported that, with no more records than they had, they were unable to positively decide which Conference was entitled to the banner. It was moved and carried that the Convention would not present the banner until the next biennial session.

Moved and carried that the North Carolina and Eastern Virginia Conferences be asked to send their Presidents to Porto Rico on a visit to our missionaries.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION.

That members of the missionary societies place on an associate roll all members that do not attend a missionary monthly meeting for six consecutive months, also invalids, business women who cannot attend in the day, and men who are willing to have a part in the work by paying dues, etc., such money to go to the special fund.

Minutes read and approved.

Meeting closed, with prayer by Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS, *President.*
MARGARET ALSTON, *Recording Secretary.*

Proceedings of the Eightieth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference

HELD AT MT. OLIVET (R) CHRISTIAN CHURCH
AUGUST 15-17, 1928.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eightieth Session of the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference met and was called to order at 10 A. M. by the President, Rev. B. J. Earp. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—W. T. Walters, A. W. Andes, B. J. Earp, W. B. Fuller.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—Floyd Showalter, T. L. Deavers, Earl Showalter.
Bethel—J. R. Dofflemyre, D. F. Dofflemyre.
Bethlehem—Ella Pickering, Pauline Brown, Leonard Myers.
Beulah—John Whitmer, Clarence Michael.
Christian Chapel—Not represented.
Concord—V. T. Huffman, Mrs. V. T. Huffman.
Dry Run—C. L. Cullers, W. B. Burke.
East Liberty—Amos Comer.
High Point—M. S. Crawford, Sigourney Crawford, Rhoda Crawford.
Island Ford—Not represented.
Joppa—Not represented.
Leaksville—J. K. Eppard, R. O. Rothgeb, Eva Huffman.
Linville—Ora Scott, Mrs. Samuel Earman, J. A. Taylor.
Mayland—Walter A. Spitzer, Mrs. Walter A. Spitzer, J. W. Lohr.
Mt. Lebanon—Ernest Comer, John H. Comer.
Mt. Olivet (G)—W. A. Crawford, Herbert Morris, J. T. Marshall.
Mt. Olivet (R)—J. J. Fry, Thomas Strickler, W. K. Hensley.
New Hope—J. E. Bryant, Ernest Spitzer.
Newport—T. Z. Alger, Russel Alger, Irvine Alger.
Palmyra—Mahlon Clem, C. E. Keller, Mrs. Mahlon Clem.
Timber Mountain—Not represented.
Timber Ridge—A. C. Oates, Mrs. A. C. Oates, Fred L. Oates, Mrs. Fred L. Oates.
Washington—Not represented.
Whistler's Chapel—Geo. Earhart, R. L. Ettel.
Winchester—Mrs. Roy Larrick.

St. Peter's—C. W. McCoy, Mrs. C. W. McCoy.
Woods Chapel—J. A. Kagey, James N. Shiflett, Ray Stroop.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Dr. L. E. Smith, Rev. J. F. Morgan, Rev. A. R. Flowers, Miss Lucy Eldredge, Mrs. J. J. Lincoln, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, C. D. Johnston, J. O. Atkinson, Jr., Dr. I. W. Johnson, Geo. D. Colclough.

Welcome address by Rev. W. B. Fuller. Response by Rev. A. W. Andes.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Program, report that we have arranged the program for this session of Conference and have had 250 copies printed, at a cost of $5.35.

B. J. EARP,
A. W. ANDES,
W. B. FULLER,
Committee.

Report was adopted, with provision that the President make such changes as may be necessary.

Moved and carried that Article III of the Constitution be amended so that the chairman of each standing committee shall be a member of Conference.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Southern Christian Convention, in session May 4, 1928, adopted the following resolution:

"We recommend that the Conferences of this Convention demand a very high standard of moral character and financial integrity of the ministry, and that the Conferences seek to use proper discipline to enforce these high standards."

Pursuant to the above resolution, the Executive Committee of this Conference had a meeting on May 8, 1928, at which time it was brought to our attention that Dr. W. T. Walters, a minister in this Conference, was involved in a serious shortage of the Church's mission funds, and on this account, and others of a financial nature, which hurt his influence and standing as a minister in this Conference and in the Southern Christian Convention, the return of his credentials as a minister was requested. Dr. Walters agreed to this request and promised that his credentials would be returned on or before this meeting of Conference. We have his resignation, as follows:

"August 14, 1928.

"To the Executive Committee of the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference:

"In the absence of my certificates of ordination, I hereby tender my resignation as an elder in the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference, and hereby pledge myself to cease to function as such when this resignation has been accepted by your committee and the acceptance ratified by a vote of the Conference in session, until such time as the Conference may see fit to reinstate me. W. T. WALTERS."

The above resignation has been accepted by your committee.

It was also ordered that the secretary write the secretary of each of Bro. Walters' Churches and ask them to send their money for Conference apportionments direct to the Conference Treasurer, and not by the hands of Bro. Walters.

The committee was further advised that Rev. D. B. Seal had become financially involved, and had left the bounds of the Conference for parts unknown,

leaving creditors to suffer financial loss. It was recommended that the secretary communicate with Bro Seal and ask him for return of his credentials or appear before the Executive Committee and show why they should not be returned. The secretary has been unable to locate Bro. Seal, and we recommend that his name be dropped from the roll.

Respectfully submitted,
B. J. EARP,
SAMUEL EARMAN,
A. W. ANDES,
W. C. WAMPLER,
Committee.

Pending discussion of the report, the Conference adjourned for dinner.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2 o'clock by the President. Devotional service conducted by W. C. Wampler.

Discussion was resumed on the report pending upon adjournment. Report adopted.

Special committees were appointed as follows:

Press—Dr. J. O. Atkinson, J. T. Marshall, C. D. Johnston.
Finance—R. C. Myers, J. K. Eppard, W. A. Crawford.
Place of Next Meeting—Mrs. B. J. Earp, Rev. W. B. Fuller, Samuel Earman.
Resolutions—W. C. Wampler, N. M. Hasler, M. S. Crawford.
Nominations—Rev. W. S. Fuller, R. C. Myers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The literature which we use in our homes is a matter of great importance. Our characters can be judged largely by what we read. Our children are influenced by the reading-matter in the home even before they can read for themselves.

We, your committee, urge a more prayerful and systematic reading of the Bible, and while giving the Bible first place would also urge that other books and periodicals be selected with the view of getting that which is uplifting and educational.

We recommend that our Church paper be subscribed to and read, not only for the good they do us as individuals, but also for the better service which they enable us to render to our Master and to our local Churches by keeping us better informed and in closer touch with our work throughout our denomination.

We recommend our Sunday School literature as best suited to our people, and urge all our schools to use it and thereby prove their loyalty to our own publishing houses.

MRS. R. C. MYERS,
MRS. E. LENA ROTHGEB,
W. B. FULLER,
Committee.

Address by Miss Lucy Eldredge.
Address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.
Adjourned.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Called to order at 8 o'clock.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Your Committee on Evangelism wish to make the following report:

We feel that there is not a more vital and importnat subject that faces the Churches of the Virginia Valley Central Conference than that of evangelism. Our laymen, as well as our ministers, ought to be continually on the lookout for anxious souls and lead them to Jesus. We believe this should be done all the year round just as well as at special revival seasons.

We heartily endorse the work that has been done by the Board of Evangelism and Life Service of the Christian Church, and the program that is offered by this department. Literature and programs, as well as methods for evangelistic work, may be secured from the Department of Evangelism of the Christian Church, C. P. A. Building, Dayton, Ohio.

We recommend holding decision days in our Sunday Schools, preferably the month preceding Easter. We believe that every pastor should seek to carry the evangelistic spirit to the home as well as at Church, and that in the home visitation, prospects should be sought and led to Jesus. This department asks your prayers, that we may all become more evangelistic.

There have been 102 decisions for Christ in our Conference this year.

MRS. A. W. ANDES,
J. E. FOSTER,
W. T. WALTERS,
W. A. CRAWFORD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Address by Geo. D. Colclough.

An address by Miss Lucy Eldredge.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 by the President. Devotional service by Mrs. J. J. Lincoln. Roll called. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

An address by C. D. Johnston.

Report of Committee on Religious Literature adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We are conscious that one of the great needs of the world today is not education alone. Our need is men with big hearts who will stand true to the principles of Jesus Christ. We rejoice in the progress of Elon and Piedmont Colleges, and urge our people of the Christian Church to support and patronize them. We need to be educated to work, to worship, and to think. Anything short of this is one-sided.

Bro. Alfred A. Dofflemyre finished his freshman year in Elon College last year and expects to enter again this fall. He asks to beadmitted as a candidate for the ministry. We recommend the request be granted as soon as Bro. Dofflemyre turns over to the Conference Secretary a recommendation from his local Church.

Bro. John W. Henderson, a licentiate of this Conference, has made no report to this committee or Conference since he was licensed five years ago. We recommend that the Secretary of Conference be asked to write him relative to his wishes in the matter, also advising him of his duty to report to his Conference annually.

We recommend that this Conference approve the action of the Southern Christian Convention, viz: that the colleges have quarterly offerings from our Sunday Schools, and access to individuals at any time, and that as far as possible our people send their boys and girls to our own colleges, and that as far as we can we give them our prayerful and financial support.

B. J. EARP,
A. W. ANDES,
W. B. FULLER,
Committee.

During discussion of the report, in which W. T. Walters had asked for reinstatement as a minister, the matter in the report relative to Bro. Walters was ordered omitted, and the following paper was adopted:

"August 16, 1928.

"To the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference: I hereby agree to submit the question of my remaining in the ministry of the Christian Church to the majority decision of twelve ministers in good standing within the bounds of the Southern Christian Convention, the twelve ministers to include the President and Secretary of the Southern Convention, with the understanding that the decision reached by the committee shall be binding on both the Conference and myself. W. T. WALTERS."

Report adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by President at 2:15. Devotional service conducted by Miss Lucy Eldredge.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

During the past year a number of our Churches have done much for our work; but, as a Conference, we are standing idle while our Lord and Master calls for workers and support. How long shall we continue to gratify self with all earthly pleasures and desires and fail to give to God that which belongs to Him?

Realizing the serious situation of our foreign work at the present time, we feel our people should be constantly reminded of their duty to God, and urge them to support and take part in carrying out the great God-given opportunity in serving our Lord and Master.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That our ministers keep the people informed at all times of the condition of our work, and urge them to give it their hearty support.

2. That we urge every Sunday School superintendent to inform his school of the great need and the serious situation of the work.

3. That the membership of the Church avail themselves of every opportunity through *The Christian Sun* and *Herald of Gospel Liberty* to inform themselves better on the missionary situation.

4. That we ask the Conference Mission Secretary and the Mission Board of the Conference to use every means available to reach and interest the Churches of this Conference that are not sharing in the great privilege and joy of serving their God by helping others.

VERDIE SHOWALTER,
B. F. MCDANIEL,
MRS. A. W. ANDES,
N. M. HASLER,
Committee.

Address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson; subject, "Jonah, a Missionary Book."

Report adopted.

An address by C. D. Johnston, superintendent; subject, "Our Orphanage."

An address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The service was in charge of the Woman's Mission Board.

A splendid report of the work of the past year was given as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSION BOARD.

Since last Conference, the Woman's Missionary Department has been unusually busy. On October 22nd a Conference-wide rally was held at Antioch, with good attendance. Revs. D. P. Barrett, W. B. Fuller and A. W. Andes made addresses

At a board meeting in March, at Bethlehem, we decided to divide the Conference into five districts, and hold a rally in each in June. This plan was carried out almost entirely, rallies being held in four of the five districts.

The districts were organized as follows: Green County District, Miss Cecil Collier, leader, Nortonsville, Va.; Page Valley District, Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb, leader, Luray, Va.; Northern District, Mrs. Fred Oates, leader, High View, W. Va.; Rockingham District, Mrs. A. S. Turner, leader, Elkton, Va., and Mrs. A. W. Andes, assistant leader, Harrisonburg, Va. We hope to get the Churches of Shenandoah County organized this year.

We held our first woman's conference at Linville, August 2nd. Eleven Churches were represented by person or letter. Every department superintendent brought or sent her report. In several cases the reports were incomplete, since some societies failed to reply to requests for reports.

There are women's societies at eight Churches, with a total number of 188 members. Total number of meetings held, 70; Young People's, Willing Workers and Ever Ready Societies at 7 Churches; total number of members, 123; total number of meetings held, 42; 6 Churches report cradle rolls; total enrollment, 113; money sent in by these three departments was $492.05, plus $69.70 sent in since last quarterly report.

This is the first year we have had a spiritual life superintendent on our board. This superintendent reports eight Churches having spiritual life superintendents, five prayer bands, six societies having definite Bible study.

The Woman's Mission Conference will be held next year at Leaksville.

We submit the following officers for 1928-1929, subject to your approval: president, Mrs. R. A. Larrick; vice-president, Mrs. A. W. Andes; secretary, Mrs. B. F. Frank; treasurer, Miss Verdie Showalter; superintendent of woman's work, Mrs. R. C. Myers; superintendent of young people, Mrs. B. J. Earp; superintendent of literature and mite-boxes, Miss Ella Pickering; superintendent of spiritual life, Miss Ora Scott; superintendent of cradle roll, Mrs. Mary Davis.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. B. F. FRANK.

A very impressive pageant was rendered, entitled "The Call of the Mission Points."

Inspiring addresses were given by Miss Lucy Eldredge and Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President, Rev. B. J. Earp. Devotional exercises conducted by Miss Lucy Eldredge. Roll called. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

It is easy to sit in an easy chair and dream of what ought to be done. It is infinitely harder to put one's shoulder to the wheel and help to make it come true. It is easy to say, "There ought to be a law," and it is even comparatively easy to get people out to work for that law. But after the law is passed, after the fight is won, we are so apt to sit back and sing "Hallelujah, 'tis done," when, as a matter of fact, it is only begun to be done. There is no such thing as finishing the good fight; it must be continually fought by leaders and by followers, by the man in the pulpit, and the man behind the plow. All at it, altogether we shall win; but slackers mean failure.

It is in that spirit we offer to you this report. We feel that it is useless for us to look at others, or to write or read tirades against them. Let us look within our own ranks, let us examine ourselves, let us see whether we who profess the name of Christ are truly exemplifying His religion. It is said that Justin Martyr, the earliest of the great Christian writers of apologetics, was led to inquire into the way of Christ, not because of the books he had read but because of the lives he saw led by Christian men and women. It is for this type of heart-searching religion today that we plead, for it is the type which will bring about moral reform, and the only type which will.

We would urge mothers and fathers to study their children, using all the knowledge which science is bringing to us today to help us to understand and aid them in understanding the will of God for them. It has been pointed out that God's Word bids us "train up the child in the way he should go"; but how can we know which way he should go if we do not know Him? If we have never taken so much as an hour to think truly and deeply as to what his abilities and capabilities are, and to attempt with all the wisdom we can secure, both spiritual and general, to discover him and aid him to discover himself. There will be no youth problem when parents take their responsibilities as seriously as farmers or merchants take theirs; when, in other words, we make our business of home-making and child-rearing a real business instead of a side issue.

We would urge young people to think seriously, carefully, and prayerfully just what sort of persons they wish to be. When once we have clearly in mind the thing we wish to be, the work of deciding what we wish to do is immeasurably lighter.

We would urge pastors to remember that they are the leaders, and that if the blind lead the blind all shall fall in the ditch together. We dare not lower the standards, neither dare we live on a mountaintop so remote from the life of every day that we do not know what our people are bearing, or what temptations they are meeting. The mountaintop is the place for vision, but the epileptic who needs the healing touch is waiting down in the valley. Yet the evil spirit cannot be driven out without prayer, without a life lived close to God in communion with him, and in understanding fellowship with our fellowman.

We would especially urge all voters that they vote as they pray. It is useless to pray for one thing and vote for another. It is useless to preach one thing and vote another. Wishes are not horses, but beggars ride into places of power and authority on the wishes of good people which are not backed up by their works. Every Christian voter in America has this year a definite Christian task to perform by putting his convictions ahead of his party, if need be, but voting

for the enforcement of law and for the destruction once and forever of the insidious propaganda for evil, for law evasion, for laxity of morals and religion which has been cursing our country.

W. B. FULLER,
VERDIE SHOWALTER,
E. M. SPITZER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Roy Hosaflook, E. M. Spitzer, and John T. Marshall were elected members of the Committee on Nominations in addition to the two members appointed by the President.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Roll called.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

The following membership fees have been received: Women's Class, Linville, $2.50; Ladies' Bible Class, Timber Ridge, $2.80; Minnie Showalter, $2.50; Barbara Andes, $2.50; S. S. & C. E. Convention, $10; Verdie Showalter, $2.50; J. O. Atkinson, $5; Mrs. J. J. Lincoln, $5; Olive E. Showalter, $2.50; Eula Whitmer, $2.50; James B. Morris, $5; A. W. Andes, $5; Mrs. A. W. Andes, $2.50; W. C. Wampler, $5; Mrs. W. C. Wampler, $2.50; Adult Bible Class, Antioch, $2.50; Antioch, $5; Linville Missionary Society, $5; St. Peter's, $5; R. A. Larrick, $5; Linville, $5; Roy Hosaflook, $5; Mrs. Roy Hosaflook, $2.50; Mary Pickering, $5; Bethlehem, $10; Mrs. R. C. Myers, $2.50; Ladies' Bible Class, New Hope, $5; Young People's Class, New Hope, $5; Young People's Missionary Society, New Hope, $2.50; Mrs. Boyd Richards, $2.50; B. J. Earp, $3; Young Ladies' Bible Class, Winchester, $2.50; New Hope, $5; Samuel Earman, $5; Mrs. Samuel Earman, $2.50; Owen W. Andes, $5; Alice A. Lincoln, $2.50; Mayland, $5; W. M. Hasler, $5; Mrs. N. M. Hasler, $2.50; Live Wire Class, Linville, $2.50—total, $167.80.

A. W. ANDES, *Sec'y-Treas.*

On motion, the report was adopted and Treasurer was authorized to pay over to Conference Treasurer the money in hand.

Several new members were added.

R. A. Larrick was elected President; A. W. Andes was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

Association adjourned.

CONFERENCE IN SESSION AGAIN.

Moved and carried that we have our minutes printed in THE ANNUAL, and that we buy 150 copies of THE ANNUAL and distribute them free, and that the Secretary send a copy to the chairman of each committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Your Committee on Nominations wish to nominate the following for officers for next year: president, Rev. B. J. Earp; vice-president, W. C. Wampler; secretary, Rev. A. W. Andes; treasurer, Samuel Earman; director of religious education, Roy A. Larrick; Conference mission secretary, R. O. Rothgeb; stewardship secretary, Rev. W. B. Fuller.

Officers for the Women's Mission Board: president, Mrs. R. A. Larrick; vice-president, Mrs. A. W. Andes; secretary, Mrs. B. F. Frank; treasurer, Miss

Verdie Showalter; superintendent women's societies, Mrs. R. C. Myers; superintendent young people's societies, Mrs. B. J. Earp; superintendent literature and mite-boxes, Miss Ella Pickering; superintendent spiritual life, Miss Ora Scott; superintendent cradle roll, Mrs. Mary Davis.

W. B. FULLER,
R. C. MYERS,
R. ROY HOSAFLOOK,
E. M. SPITZER,
J. T. MARSHALL,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Moved and carried that the Treasurer be bonded. The Secretary of the Conference and R. Roy Hosaflook were appointed a committee to secure bond.

A motion prevailed also that the Treasurer of the Woman's Mission Board be bonded. Mrs. A. W. Andes and Miss Verdie Showalter were added to committee just named to arrange for bond.

A collection was taken for Miss Lucy Eldredge's expenses, amounting to $22.50.

Adjourned for dinner.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 by the President. Devotional service conducted by Miss Lucy Eldredge.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON S. S. AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Our committee wish to report that, so far as we know, the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work of this Conference is making progress. Our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention was held at Mt. Olivet (G), and we think was one of the best we have held. We recommend that each school in this Conference give fifth-Sunday offering to Elon College, and that we give for missions so far as we can as per request of Dr. Atkinson.

R. ROY HOSAFLOOK, *Ch'n.*

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE FOR NEXT SESSION.

Your committee has received two invitations—Timber Ridge and Bethel. We recommend that our next Conference be held at Timber Ridge.

MRS. B. J. EARP,
W. B. FULLER,
SAMUEL EARMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to report the following:

1. That we express by rising vote of thanks our gratitude and hearty appreciation of the hospitality shown the Conference by the pastor and people of Mt. Olivet Church.

2. That we express our appreciation to the Conference officials for the preparation and execution of the Conference program.

3. That we thank our visiting brethren and sisters for their interest and messages, and especially Dr. L. E. Smith for his helpful rulings and suggestions which brought peace and harmony into our Conference.

4. That the Conference, through its Secretary, express to Dr. W. P. Minton its deep regret in his not being able to be with us during Conference, to bring us the helpful and inspiring messages so characteristic of him on such occasions, and that we express our deepest sympathy for him in his affliction.

5. That this Conference go on record as expressing its hearty approval of the efforts being made by the Congregational and Christian Churches toward uniting and combining their efforts in their work for the kingdom and expressing the hope for the early union of these two bodies and the ultimate union of all Christian bodies.

W. C. WAMPLER,
N. M. HASLER,
M. S. CRAWFORD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS

Cash on hand	$414.03	
Conference Missionary Association	167.80	
Conference collections	219.63	
Total amount received	$801.46	
Paid W. B. Fuller	100.00	
		$ 701.46

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	$ 77.71	
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas.	77.00	
		.71

CONVENTION MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	$ 77.02	
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas.	77.00	
		.02

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Cash on hand	$445.24	
Conference collections	195.23	
Total amount received	$640.47	
Paid W. H. Alger, for Bethel Church	400.00	
		240.47

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Cash on hand	$214.46	
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas.	214.00	
		.46

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Cash on hand	$127.59	
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas.	127.00	
		.59

CONFERENCE FUND.

Cash on hand	$164.22	
Conference collections	146.42	

Received on ANNUALS		33.25	
Collection for Miss Lucy Eldredge		22.59	
Total amount received			$366.48
Paid for printing programs	$ 5.35		
Paid A. W. Andes, Sec'y	20.00		
Paid for ANNUALS	75.00		
		100.35	
			266.13
CONVENTION FUND.			
Cash on hand			$212.56
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas		212.00	
			.56
PUBLICATION FUND.			
Cash on hand			$211.46
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas		211.00	
			.46
ORPHANAGE FUND.			
Cash on hand			$105.66
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas		105.00	
			.66
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.			
Cash on hand			$ 42.23
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treas		42.00	
			.23
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.			
Conference collections			1,220.00
Grand total			$2,431.75

SAMUEL EARMAN, *Treasurer.*

By motion, report was referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, report as follows:

We have heard request from brethren from Bethel for help in paying for the Church now nearing completion there. We recommend that $175 be appropriated from the Church extension fund to their use.

We recommend that $100 be appropriated to the Rockingham pastorate for services to be rendered Beulah next year.

We recommend that the matter of securing pastors for any pastorless Churches that may be in the Conference be left in the hands of the Home Mission and Executive Committees, and that they be empowered to make such appropriaations as they may deem wise.

W. C. WAMPLER,
A. W. ANDES,
SAMUEL EARMAN,
R. C. MYERS,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, submit the following amounts to be raised by the various Churches: Antioch, $140; Bethel, $35; Bethlehem, $160; Beulah, $18; Christian Chapel, $15; Concord, $50; Dry Run, $45; East Liberty, $25; High Point, $25; Island Ford, $20; Joppa, $25; Leaksville, $175; Linville, $125; Mayland, $70; Mt. Lebanon, $40; Mt. Olivet (G), $90; Mt. Olivet (R),

$35; New Hope, $100; Newport, $120; Palmyra, $36; St. Peter's, $20; Timber Mountain, $30; Timber Ridge, $100; Washington, $50; Whistler's Chapel, $30; Winchester, $200; Woods Chapel, $35—total, $1,813.

J. C. BRADFORD,
E. M. SPITZER,
MRS. B. F. FRANK,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Moved and carried that the Secretary communicate with the officials of the Washington Church relative to their wishes as to membership in the Conference, and also in regard to any money or property that may be in their possession, and rightfully belonging to the Conference or to the Southern Christian Convention.

Rev. B. J. Earp was elected to deliver the annual address next year. Rev. W. B. Fuller elected alternate.

Standing committees were announced as follows:

Resolutions—A. W. Andes, W. B. Fuller, B. J. Earp.

Home Missions—Samuel Earman, A. C. Oates, J. C. Bradford, W. C. Wampler.

Foreign Missions—Mrs. R. A. Larrick, J. E. Foster, Verdie Showalter, J. C. Bradford.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—R. A. Larrick, Warner Stearn, B. F. McDaniel, J. T. Marshall.

Evangelism—Mrs. A. W. Andes, I. N. Comer, R. Roy Hosaflook, A. S. Turner.

Social Service—Mrs. B. R. Richards, Gertrude Comer, E. S. Morris, D. F. Dofflemyre.

Religious Literature—Marvin Seldon, Mrs. E. W. Cather, E. Lena Rothgeb, Ella Pickering.

Woman's Board—Mrs. B. F. Frank, W. B. Fuller, Mrs. B. J. Earp, Mrs. R. C. Myers.

Christian Union—A. W. Andes, W. A. Crawford, R. O. Rothgeb, R. C. Myers.

Apportionments—J. C. Bradford, N. M. Hasler, Ben C. Deavers, R. L. Ettel.

Executive—B. J. Earp, A. W. Andes, W. B. Fuller; advisory members: W. C. Wampler, Samuel Earman.

An address was given by Dr. L. E. Smith on the union of the Congregationalists and the Christians.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of the Treasurer, and find same correct as far as reported. We recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to audit the unfinished items in the report.

We recommend that the following bills be paid from the Conference fund: Secretary's book, $15; Miss Lucy Eldredge's expenses, $35; programs, $5.35; Secretary's salary, $20; Treasurer's salary, $15—total, $90.35.

We recommend that the Treasurer be instructed to forward to W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the S. C. C., $1,250, and that the remainder of the money be divided as follows: home missions, $225; Church extension, $200; Conference fund, $150—total, $1,825.

We recommend that the division of any other funds coming in this year be made by the Executive Committee.

R. C. MYERS,
W. A. CRAWFORD,
J. K. EPPARD,
Committee.

Adopted.

Minutes of today read and approved.

Moved and carried that we adjourn to meet at Timber Ridge on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1929.

B. J. EARP, *President.*
(Winchester, Va.)

A. W. ANDES, *Secretary.*
(Harrisonburg, Va.)

BANNER CHURCHES.

The following Churches, having paid all Conference apportionments, are enrolled as Banner Churches: Beulah, Concord, Dry Run, Joppa, Leaksville, Mayland, Mt. Olivet (G), Mt. Olivet (R), Newport, Timber Mountain, Timber Ridge, Whistler's Chapel, Winchester, Woods Chapel.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

A. W. Andes—Churches: Bethlehem, Concord, Mayland, Newport, Leaksville, Timber Ridge, Timber Mountain. Sermons, 236; addresses, 13; conversions, 29; baptisms, 18; members received, 33; pastoral visits, 890; marriages, 5; funerals, 22. Salary, $1,807.57.

Wm. M. Clem—No charge. Sermons, 5; addresses, 8.

B. J. Earp—Church: Winchester. Sermons, 135; addresses, 3; conversions, 6; baptisms, 5; members received, 10; pastoral visits, 482; marriages, 6; funerals, 6. Salary, $1,800.

W. B. Fuller—Churches: Antioch, Beulah, Linville, Mt. Olivet (R), New Hope. Sermons, 158; addresses, 4; conversions, 45; baptisms, 23; members received, 35; pastoral visits, 375; marriage, 1; funerals, 8. Salary, $1,425.

W. T. Walters—Churches: Bethel, Dry Run, East Liberty, Joppa, Mt. Lebanon, Mt. Olivet (G), Palmyra, Whistler's Chapel, Woods Chapel, St. Peter's, High Point (last two for five months only). Sermons, 227; conversions, 35; baptisms, 25; members received, 30; pastoral visits, 675; marriage, 1; funerals, 11. Salary, $1,038.21.

Church Statistics—Virginia Valley Central Conference

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Amount Paid on Apportionments.	Home and Foreign Missions.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor s Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch*†‡	W. B. Fuller	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.	93	64	$ 160.00	$ 107.00	$ 234.11	.....	$ 400.00	$ 125.00	$ 233.59	$ 1,099.70	$ 3,000
Bethel*	W. T. Walters	D. F. Dofflemyre, Elkton, Va.	100	100	40.00	13.90	4.20	.....	85.79	2200.00	163.69	2,467.58	6,000
Bethlehem*‡	A. W. Andes	Miss Ella Pickering, Broadway, Va.	126	127	180.00	81.45	35.77	18.00	225.00	183.25	253.28	796.75	2,000
Beulah	W. B. Fuller	Miss Ollie Tibbins, Keezletown, Va.	9	26	18.00	18.00	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	43.00	600
Concord	A. W. Andes	J. C. Huffman, Timberville, Va.	78	79	58.00	58.00	7.05	20.08	127.75	.....	20.00	232.88	800
Dry Run	W. T. Walters	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	87	82	68.00	121.80	.....	10.00	158.28	10.00	35.00	335.08	5,000
East Liberty	W. T. Walters	Mrs. Effie May, Shenandoah, Va.	38	105	32.00	9.00	.....	.....	57.25	.....	.....	66.25	500
High Point	W. T. Walters	Miss Rhoda Crawford, Swift Run, Va.	121	163	26.00	14.75	.....	.....	58.00	6.25	2.00	81.00	.....
Joppa	W. T. Walters	Miss Susie Duncan, Edith, Va.	44	46	28.00	57.45	.....	.75	34.80	18.00	2.44	113.44	700
Leaksville	A. W. Andes	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.	157	153	198.00	198.00	67.05	41.00	449.52	.....	74.39	829.96	2,500
Linville*†	W. B. Fuller	Miss Sallie A. Payne, Linville, Va.	140	140	164.00	82.30	139.15	46.35	400.00	408.23	63.80	1,139.83	2,667
Mayland	A. W. Andes	W. A. Spitzer, Broadway, Va.	87	91	77.00	77.00	4.55	15.68	175.79	8.75	38.38	320.15	1,500
Mt. Lebanon	W. T. Walters	Mildred Comer, Shenandoah, Va.	91	91	62.00	35.86	.....	.....	83.35	.....	.....	119.21	800
Mt. Olivet (G)†	W. T. Walters	E. S. Morris, March, Va.	119	136	100.00	182.69	10.00	5.00	300.00	.....	56.80	554.49	2,600
Mt. Olivet (R)	W. B. Fuller	Miss Edna Life, Elkton, Va.	142	146	40.00	40.00	9.00	.....	250.00	12.50	.....	311.50	1,500
New Hope*†	W. B. Fuller	Miss Tracie Liskey, Harrisonburg, Va.	56	54	124.00	111.50	60.75	.....	250.00	.....	62.89	485.14	1,867
Newport	A. W. Andes	C. W. Louderback, Stanley, Va.	172	176	137.00	137.00	18.25	12.10	277.59	52.00	37.53	534.47	2,000
Palmyra	W. T. Walters	Miss Retta Rush, Edinburg, Va.	103	102	44.00	17.58	.....	.....	100.59	.....	37.00	155.17	1,300
St. Peter's	W. T. Walters	Mrs. C. W. McCoy, Elkton, Va.	40	40	23.00	12.00	5.00	.....	25.81	.....	.....	42.81	.....
Timber Mt.	A. W. Andes	J. H. Park, Capon Bridge, W. Va.	54	53	34.00	34.00	.....	.....	74.97	20.00	4.00	132.97	.....
Timber Ridge*	A. W. Andes	J. E. Eaton, Gore, Va.	194	192	98.00	98.00	44.20	50.01	470.95	1072.68	37.00	1,772.84	8,000
Whistler s Chapel	W. T. Walters	John Dean, Quicksburg, Va.	67	68	32.00	32.00	.....	.....	100.00	150.00	9.60	291.60	.....
Winchester*†‡	B. J. Earp	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.	178	187	198.00	198.00	144.32	95.26	1513.00	446.70	440.75	2,838.03	45,000
Wood s Chapel	W. T. Walters	Mrs. J. F. Kingree, New Market, Va.	88	90	44.00	44.00	.....	6.00	101.40	.....	20.08	171.48	500
Totals	.....	.....	2384	2511	$1985.00	$1781.28	$ 783.40	$ 320.23	$5744.84	$4713.36	$1592.22	$14,935.33	$ 88,834

*Church has Missionary Society. †Church has Christian Endeavor. ‡Church has parsonage.

Sunday School Statistics—Virginia Valley Central Conference

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	No. of Scholars in School.	Total Attendance.	No. United with Church.	Amount Raised for Missions.	Amount Raised for Orphanage.	Total Raised During Year.
Antioch*	E. A. Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.	7	22	74	4	100	....	$ 68.66	$ 77.83	$ 258.83
Bethel*	M. A. Dofflemyre, Elkton, Va.	11	....	74	5	90	....	.....	.....	7.93
Bethlehem*	D. H. Welch, Broadway, Va.	12	12	109	13	131	3	44.64	34.32	165.25
Beulah	O. K. Haskins, Harrisonburg, Va.	7	....	70	....	77	....	.....	5.00	25.00
Concord*	V. T. Huffman, Timberville, Va.	9	13	90	9	121	2	.....	11.53	64.37
Dry Run*	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	10	15	56	15	96	....	18.44	20.85	83.61
High Point*	W. A. Crawford, Geer, Va.	8	....	52	....	60	....	1.17	.....	18.72
Joppa	Leonard Crieman, Edith, Va.	8	5	65	....	73	2	.....	.....	4.93
Leaksville*	Miss Valton Short, Luray, Va.	14	16	75	12	101	....	52.42	34.49	150.04
Linville*	Roy Hosaflook, Linville, Va.	12	....	125	....	137	....	52.69	73.40	283.24
Mayland*	E. H. Hillyard, Broadway, Va.	11	10	58	6	85	4	8.50	10.75	82.45
Mt. Lebanon*	I. N. Comer, Shenandoah, Va.	5	....	65	....	70	1	.....	.....	43.19
Mt. Olivet (G)*	E. S. Morris, March, Va.	18	....	94	18	130	10	27.07	19.86	113.33
Mt. Olivet (R)	.....	11	....	170	....	181	....	.....	.....	106.90
New Hope*	N. M. Hasler, Harrisonburg, Va.	9	14	41	6	70	....	15.22	16.60	81.95
Newport*	T. Z. Alger, Stanley, Va.	7	....	78	5	83	10	14.69	8.44	44.76
Palmyra	C. E. Keller, Edinburg, Va.	8	9	47	....	74	....	17.34	17.02	69.48
St. Peter's	Eug ene Dovel, Shenandoah, Va.	8	....	54	....	62	....	.....	.....	9.41
Timber Ridge*	Marvin Seldon, High View W. Va.	14	19	109	....	128	....	.....	.....	65.39
Whistler's Chapel*	A. N. Green, Quicksburg, Va.	10	....	63	....	63	....	.....	.....	12.82
Winchester*	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.	25	14	126	8	148	8	40.00	60.50	242.00
Wood's Chapel*	J. A. Kagey, Mt. Jackson, Va.	5	....	35	....	35	....	2.33	3.00	28.88
Totals	.....	229	149	1730	101	2115	40	$ 363.17	$ 393.59	$ 1,962.48

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

ROANOKE, ALA., OCTOBER 16, 17, 1928.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference met and was called to order by Rev. G. D. Hunt, President. Devotional services were conducted by the President.

Ministers and laymen were enrolled as follows:

Ministers—J. E. Amason, C. W. Carter, G. D. Hunt, J. H. Hughes, W. T. Meacham, J. H. Dollar, G. H. Veazey.
Licentiates—Joe French, C. C. Dollar, G. S. Hunt, B. F. Smith.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—A. I. Landers, Mrs. A. I. Landers, Z. A. Kitchens, Mrs. Ela Royston, Mrs. Emily Birdsong, Paul Beard.
Beulah—R. B. Culpepper, G. C. Vaughan, Miss Irma Birchfield.
Bethany—W. J. Harry, J. J. Harry, D. W. Shepherd.
Corinth—Jessie Langley, A. O. Knight.
Christiana—W. A. Jennings, Orlander Ingram.
Cragford—C. H. Mitchell, J. R. Wilson.
Cavers Grove—D. B. Boyd, E. D. Meacham.
Dinglers Chapel—W. D. Willingham, W. N. Archie, Mrs. W. N. Archie.
Forest Home—T. J. Smith, R. L. Barfield.
Lowell—Miss Kumy Waldrop, Mrs. Lena Chase, Mrs. Emily Williams.
Macedonia—
McGuire's Chapel—W. D. Fuller, Jim King, J. W. Easterwood.
Mt. Zion—W. J. Redmond.
Noon Day—J. R. French, Joe French, Miss Annie Huey.
New Harmony—John W. DeVaughan, Miss Lois DeVaughan.
New Home—
New Hope—L. H. Liles, James Halsey, C. W. Stevens.
Pisgah—A. T. Strickland.
Pleasant Grove—L. L. Knight, Mrs. Flora Knight, P. T. Liles, Mrs. P. T. Liles.
Rock Springs—J. F. McColloch, Y. J. Owens.
Rock Stand—C. H. Allen, A. R. Kirby, Ed Kirby.

Roanoke—V. E. Kitchens, W. L. Stewart, J. H. Chrisler.
Sand Hill—
Shady Grove—Jay Moore, Mrs. Jay Moore.
Spring Hill—W. A. Mitchell, Mrs. W. A. Mitchell, O. H. Orr, Mrs. O. H. Orr.
Wadley—J. J. Carter, Mrs. G. L. Stevens.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:
President—Rev. G. D. Hunt.
Vice-President—Rev. C. W. Carter.
Secretary—Rev. G. H. Veazey.
Assistant Secretary—Rev. G. S. Hunt.
Treasurer—J. W. Payne.

The tentative program was adopted as the order of business.

The President filled vacancies on standing committees.

By motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Miss Pattie Coghill, secretary of young people's work of the Southern Christian Convention; C. D. Johnston, superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, Elon College, N. C.; Revs. H. W. Elder, J. D. Dollar, H. M. Gray, T. W. Gray, of the Georgia and Alabama Conference; D. D. Bailey, of the M. E. Church; Dr. Neil McQuarrie, superintendent of the Congregational Churches in Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, beg to submit the following report:

We have had very little business to claim our attention this year. We have investigated local conditions in part of our North Alabama field, and as a result we found that the Churches at Arab and Liberty Grove had been discontinued, their members having moved away. Hence we have sold our property there. We received two hundred and fifty dollars for the house and lot at Arab. This amount has been paid to the Treasurer, less expense of making sale.

We have also sold house and land at Liberty Grove for one hundred and twenty-five dollars. This amount has not been paid, but we are sure it will be in due time.

We have prepared the program for this Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
C. W. CARTER.

Adopted.

Annual address by Rev. G. D. Hunt, followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Adjourned for dinner.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. T. Meacham.

Ministerial reports were read.

A tabulating committee was appointed to handle Church reports. This committee was composed of Revs. Joe French, J. H. Hughes and J. H. Dollar.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Realizing the thoughtlessness, recklessness and sinfulness of the age in which we live, be it resolved:

1. That the Alabama Christian Conference here assembled stamp its hearty approval on every effort that is made to keep the Sabbath Day holy.

2. That we disapprove every practice of individual or organized life that tends to lower the moral standards.

3. That we heartily endorse and support every institution or organization within our bounds that tends to help raise the moral standards for our youth.

4. That we encourage a careful, systematic study of the Bible and other good books in our homes and establish more family altars.

5. That we continue to approve and support the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and the Volstead act, and prove our loyalty thereto by casting our ballot against any candidate who will not use his influence to enforce said laws.

G. H. VEAZEY,
C. C. DOLLAR,
G. S. HUNT,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The literature we read has much indeed to do with our lives and conduct. With this thought in view, we recommend our own literature, especially *The Christian Sun* and *Herald of Gospel Liberty,* and recommend that our people stand squarely behind these publications.

J. H. HUGHES, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor interest this year is very evident, as has been shown mainly from two sources:

The first thing which gave evidence of the interest was the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention which was held at Antioch June 10, 1928. At this convention the following Sunday Schools were represented: Antioch, Beulah, Forest Home, Lowell, Mt. Zion, Noon Day, Pleasant Grove, Rock Stand, Roanoke, Wadley. All of the Sunday Schools were represented. The reports were encouraging. Sixteen dollars was received for convention expenses. The executive committee voted to give $10 to the Department of Christian Education of the Southern Christian Convention. The following officers were elected: Rev. Joe French, president; Rev. Staley Hunt, secretary-treasurer.

The second thing which showed such manifestation of interest in Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor is the manner in which the summer school of Christian education was conducted at Piedmont Junior College. More schools and societies were represented and more students enrolled than ever before. It was a decided success in every respect.

Your committee recommends:

1. That our pastors co-operate with Sunday School and Christian Endeavor organizations in training our youth in Christian ways of living.

2. That each Sunday School give one Sunday's offering to missions and one to the Orphanage each month.

3. That each Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Society send two or more young persons to the summer school of Christian education at Wadley next summer.

4. That each Sunday School take an offering for the Department of Christian Education in the month of December.

5. That each Church that has no Christian Endeavor try to organize one.

6. That pastor and people be much in prayer for the Father's guidance in the training of our young people.

Respectfully submitted,

G. S. HUNT.
C. C. DOLLAR.

Adopted.

Miscellaneous business.

The following resolution was presented by Rev. G. H. Veazey:

That we hold within the bounds of this Conference a "Pastors' and Laymen's Conference" every fifth Sunday.

1. That a committee be appointed at this meeting, the majority of which shall be laymen, whose duty it shall be to select the place of meeting and arrange the program.

2. That a permanent organization shall be formed at the first regular meeting.

3. That the program may be from time to time on any vital subject concerning the best interest of the kingdom.

4. That any Church desiring said meeting will make it known to this committee at once.

5. Provided the Georgia and Alabama Conference approve of this movement, they may join in with us on equal basis. One meeting shall be held in their conference and one in our conference.

Adopted.

The following committee was appointed: J. T. Clack, J. S. Sledge, W. J. Redmond, Rev. G. H. Veazey.

It was decided by vote to hold the next session of Conference with the Church at Wadley.

Mrs. G. L. Stevens gave a brief report of the Woman's Missionary Conference that was held at Spring Hill Church last Saturday.

By motion, it was decided to publish our minutes in THE ANNUAL, and that we take one hundred copies.

Report of a committee to investigate a plot of land owned by this Conference in Randolph County, was made and accepted. The committee was continued, with authority to dispose of said property.

Fraternal representatives were elected to attend the Congregational State conference at Phenix City, November 1-3. They were Rev. G. D. Hunt, Prof. W. C. Edge and wife.

An ordaining presbytery was appointed, composed of the following: Revs. G. D. Hunt, C. W. Carter, J. D. Dollar, G. H. Veazey, conductor.

Conference adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock. Benediction by Rev. W. T. Meacham.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Song service at 7 o'clock.
Sermon by Dr. Neil McQuarrie.
Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. J. D. Dollar.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional by Rev. J. H. Hughes.
Minutes of yesterday read and approved.
Fraternal greetings by Dr. Neil McQuarrie, of the Congregational Church.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

We, your committee, beg to report the following:

Nothing new has claimed our attention the past year. Mrs. C. M. Dollar, Mrs. J. W. Elder, and Mrs. B. F. Young are all we have that receive help from the Committee on Superannuation of the Southern Christian Convention.

We especially urge our people to be more liberal in contributing to this fund.

C. W. CARTER.

Adopted.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

There is a growing sentiment that Christian education should be propigated among all Christian peoples. All religious bodies have provided space on their programs for the consideration of religion in education.

The Southern Christian Convention, with its various Conferences, has always insisted that religion and education cannot be divorced. To this end, the Southern Christian Convention has founded Elon College and Piedmont Junior College (formerly Bethlehem College) and apportioned out of the $25,000 budget for Convention obligations $12,750. Seven hundred and fifty dollars should be raised of this amount to pay the interest on the $12,500 note made to Bethlehem College by the Convention. Out of the benevolent budget, which goal was set at $113,500, $34,000 is to be raised annually for the colleges, Bethlehem College to receive $10,000.

The Convention voted at the last session that the colleges have quarterly Sunday School offerings and access to individuals at any time, and individual collections to be made at any time by the presidents of the two colleges. The Convention authorized the raising of $10,000 annually for the current operating expenses, and solicitation of funds to complete the new building and liquidate the indebtedness a total of $50,000, and approved of the raising of $250,000 for endowment. The co-operative plan with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., was also approved in principle by the Convention. Since the Convention the affiliation with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., which has to do with the educational end of the institution has been effected. Through this affiliation the name of the institution has been changed to Piedmont Junior College and the institution is receiving full credit for work done with all other institutions. This is a decided advantage to this institution in standardizing the work and securing students and funds for the school.

The report has gone out through not knowing the facts that the institution had merged financially with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., and that the Convention, through its various Conferences, had no longer any financial obligation to the institution, but this is a mistake, for while the institution has changed its name, the charter, deed or by-laws have not been changed. The

property, so far as its relation to the Convention, remains the same. It is still a Convention asset and a liability. However, the board of trustees of Piedmont Junior College is highly in favor of a complete merger just as soon as the two denominations are organized in a complete union and the details can be worked out. While the educational end of the institution is affiliated with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., our financial plan remains the same and we have to completely provide for the financial end of the institution.

Since the convening of the Southern Christian Conpention, the board of trustees of Piedmont Junior College have launched a campaign in harmony with what was voted by the Convention attempting to raise $50,000 for the institution. About $15,000 of this has already been provided for on a five-year basis, but since Piedmont Junior College will have to have $15,000 annually for the running expenses of the school, we have decided on another plan which was also provided for by the Convention; that is, to raise the interest on $250,000 endowment. To this end, we have issued endowment certificates which represent a certain principal amount the individual will agree to pay the interest on over a certain period of years, say ten years, if we can get them to do so. We are just starting this part of the campaign, and it seems to be meeting the approval of the best supporters of the institution. Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That this Conference approve of the affiliation of Piedmont Junior College with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., as it now stands, looking to a still closer affiliation when the details of union can be thoroughly worked out for the united body.

2. That the Conference approve of the college using any method among the constituency of the Alabama Conference to raise the apportionate part of the interest on $250,000 that the Convention has provided for in its report adopted for Bethlehem College.

3. That the Conference raise one hundred dollars, with the understanding that they attempt to do so over a period of years that we may agree upon, which will be the interest at 5 per cent on the principal sum of endowment of $2,000.

4. That we approve of the president or financial agent of Piedmont Junior College raising from among our membership not less than one dollar per member, which would amount to $2,162 the reported membership for last year which would represent a principal of $43,240 at 5 per cent interest.

5. That we show our appreciation for the institution by giving of our substance and sending our boys and girls to the institution for their first two years of educational work.

Bro. G. R. Walker has been recommended by the Church at Beulah for license to preach, and we concur in that recommendation. And we further recommend that Revs. Joe French, C. C. Dollar and G. S. Hunt be ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry, and that this Conference raise next year $200 for education.

S. L. BEOUGHER, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

While the report on education was pending, there was an offering taken for Piedmont Junior College amounting to $112.

An address was given on the work of the Christian Orphanage by C. D. Johnston, superintendent.

Revs. Joe French, C. Carl Dollar, G. Staley Hunt were ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry.

G. Roy Walker was licensed as a probationer to preach the gospel of Christ wherever the providence of God may call him.

Adjourned for one hour. Benediction by Rev. G. D. Hunt.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order.

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

We, your Home Mission Board, submit our report as follows:

1. We have appropriated $200 to Roanoke Church to aid them in the liquidation of their indebtedness on their building and lot, and we are proud to report that the Church will be free from all incumbrances in a very short time, which, in the judgment of your board, is a very fine investment.

2. We have also appropriated $150 to the building fund of the Pisgah Church, which was applied on the parsonage debt, thus enabling them to pay for the home of their pastor, which also adds wonderfully to the value of our Church property in North Alabama.

3. We have paid $50 to the Central Publishing Company, of Richmond, Va., for the publication of ANNUALS.

We have had quite a strenuous year and have not undertaken any aggressive home missionary work. Our ministers and pastors have been taxed to their capacity. Hence the appropriations were made by the board to the places above mentioned in order to place the work on a more solid footing.

But since we have quite a number of young ministers who have come to us as graduates from Bethlehem and Elon Colleges, it seems to this board that it is now an opportune time for the Christians in the Alabama Conference to put on an aggressive home missionary program. We, therefore, recommend that steps be taken at once to employ a home missionary for our Conference and that we invite the co-operation of the Georgia and Alabama Conference in this matter, and if possible build up our weak places and add new work to what we already have.

We also ask that the Conference raise $200 for home missions and $200 for Convention missions next year, and that your Home Mission Board be given the privilege of supervision in the great undertaking. "We are well able to go over and possess the land."

We also recommend that where there is an opportunity presented for us to co-operate with the Congregational brotherhood, that we do it heartily as unto the Lord. All of which is cheerfully submitted by this board.

G. D. HUNT, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

It appears to your committee that it would be inconsistent for us to expect a very great increase in our mission work in our foreign fields until we shall furnish more means to support the work in a larger way.

Since we are responsible for one million souls in Japan, with the few missionaries and native helpers we have there, it will take a long time to reach and win them for Christ. And with seventy thousand looking to us in Porto Rico, our forces there must be increased or many of them will die without knowing anything about the Saviour of the world.

Resolved:

1. That we commend the ladies on their success in their organized missionary work.

2. That we co-operate with them in their work.

3. That we make a special effort to raise more money for our foreign missionary cause next year.

C. W. CARTER, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS.

Receipts.

1927.			
Oct. 11.	Balance in treasury		$ 19.75
12.	Received from the Churches		149.17
	Rev. C. W. Carter, for ANNUALS		2.00
	Rev. J. D. Dollar, for ANNUALS		5.00
	Rev. J. H. Hughes, for ANNUALS		2.00
	Mrs. G. L. Stephens, for missions		2.00
	J. T. Elder, last year's pledge for missions		5.00
14.	Rev. J. H. Dollar, for ANNUALS		1.00
Nov. 5.	Mrs. O. H. Orr, Treas. Woman's Board, for missions		129.30
22.	Mrs. C. D. Payne, for special missions		1.00
	J. W. Payne, for special missions		2.50
24.	D. B. Boyd, for special missions		.50
1928.			
Jan. 14.	Mrs. O. H. Orr, Treas. Woman's Bd., Pisgah-Roanoke		13.78
21.	Rev. G. D. Hunt, for special missions		20.25
Mar. 23.	Rev. G. D. Hunt, for special missions		6.25
Apl. 12.	Mrs. G. B. Payne, for special missions		1.00
	J. W. Payne, for special missions		2.50
May 18.	G. A. Brown, paid for Arab Church property		226.50
	Rev. C. W. Carter, on sale of Arab property		25.00
Sep. 18.	Mrs. G. B. Payne, for special missions		2.00
22.	J. W. Payne, for special missions		5.00
	Rev. C. W. Carter, for ANNUALS		2.00
Oct. 12.	Rev. J. E. Amerson, for ANNUALS		.75
	Total		$ 624.25

Disbursements.

1927.			
Oct. 12.	Rev. J. H. Hughes, balance last year's salary	$ 50.00	
Dec. 14.	Rev. J. H. Hughes, for Pisgah parsonage	100.00	
1928.			
Mar. 17.	V. E. Kitchens, for Roanoke Church ($6.89 of which was paid by the Woman's Board)	106.89	
	Rev. J. H. Hughes, Pisgah Ch., from Wom. Bd.	6.89	
	Central Publishing Company, for ANNUALS	50.00	
May 18.	Rev. C. W. Carter, expense to Arab	13.82	
July 25.	Rev. J. H. Hughes, for parsonage of Pisgah Ch.	50.00	
Oct. 4.	V. E. Kitchens, for Roanoke Church	100.00	
16.	To balance in treasury	146.65	
			$ 624.25

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1927.		
Oct. 12.	Received from the Churches	$ 89.46
29.	Paid to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treas., S. C. C.	89.46

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

1927.		
Oct. 12.	Received from the Churches	$ 74.55
29.	Paid to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treas., S. C. C.	74.55

SUPERANNUATION.

1927.		
Oct. 12.	Received from the Churches	$ 74.55
29.	Paid to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treas., S. C. C.	74.55

CONFERENCE FUND.

1927.		
Oct. 11.	Balance in Treasury	$ 37.03
12.	Received from the Churches	37.27
	Special collection for delegate to Congregational Con.	24.64
	Total	$ 98.94

1927.	*Disbursements.*		
Oct. 12.	Rev. E. M. Carter, Secy.	$ 15.00	
29.	For stamps	1.00	
Nov. 5.	Roanoke Leader, for printing stationery	6.56	
8.	Rev. G. D. Hunt, expenses to Congregational Con.	24.00	
22.	Roanoke Leader, for printing cards	6.00	
1928.			
Sep. 13.	Mrs. Ruth Carter, expenses to S. C. C.	25.00	
Oct. 3.	Roanoke Leader, for printing Conference programs	2.50	
15.	To balance in treasury	18.79	
			$ 98.94

1927.	CONVENTION FUND.		
Oct. 12.	From the Churches		$ 37.27
29.	Paid to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treas., S. C. C.		37.27

1927.	CONVENTION MISSIONS.		
Oct. 12.	Received from the Churches		$ 74.55
29.	Paid to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treas., S. C. C.		74.55

1927.	SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.		
Oct. 12.	Received from the Churches		$ 208.76
29.	Paid to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treas., S. C. C.		208.76

NOTE: $739.96 has been paid of this year's apportionments at this session of Conference.

J. W. PAYNE.

Adopted.

REPORT OF TABULATING COMMITTEE.

Owing to the change in the report blanks used this year, and the Church clerks not being familiar with them, it is impossible to make a detailed report. However, we find a decrease in our membership. This is due in part to the fact that two of our Churches—Arab and Liberty Grove—have discontinued, and Macedonia and New Home, being without a pastor, made no report.

JOE FRENCH,
J. H. DOLLAR,
J. H. HUGHES,
Committee.

Report received and the committee released.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, submit the following:

For members of the Mission Board: J. F. Brown, W. H. Floyd, Mrs. J. S. Sledge, Mrs. G. L. Stevens.

For members of the Sunday School and C. E. Board: G. S. Hunt, W. S. White, Miss Annie Huey.

J. J. CARTER,
D. W. SHEPHERD,
O. H. ORR,
Committee.

Adopted.

W. H. Floyd and Mrs. G. L. Stevens were elected members of the Mission Board two years.

G. S. Hunt, W. S. White, Miss Annie Huey were elected members of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Board for two years.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, wish to submit the following for the year: Antioch, $100; Bethany, $40; Beulah, $50; Corinth, $50; Christiana,

$40; Cragford, $40; Caver's Grove, $35; Dingler's Chapel, $25; Forest Home, $25; Lowell, $50; Macedonia, $5; McGuire's Chapel, $35; Mt. Zion, $100; Noon Day, $75; New Home, $10; New Harmony, $60; New Hope, $100; Pisgah, $50; Pleasant Grove, $60; Rock Springs, $50; Rock Stand, $75; Roanoke,, $50; Sand Hill, $5; Spring Hill, $40; Shady Grove, $40; Wadley, $100.

We wish to further recommend that the apportionments collected at this session be divided on the following percentage basis: home missions, 25 per cent; foreign missions, 10 per cent; ministerial education, 12 per cent; superannuation, 12 per cent; Conference fund, 5 per cent; Convention fund, 4 per cent; Convention missions, 12 per cent; schools and colleges, 20 per cent.

We wish to repeat the recommendation made last year that each Church that pays its apportionment in full be given a place on our Conference record as a "Banner Church."

We wish again to recommend that our pastors take a special interest in this phase of the work and help their Churches to meet the above recommendations.

J. S. SLEDGE, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

The President appointed the standing committees as follows:

Executive—G. D. Hunt, C. W. Carter, W. T. Meacham.
Education—S. L. Beougher, G. S. Hunt, J. H. Hughes.
Literature—C. C. Dollar, J. J. Carter, V. E. Kitchens.
Moral Reform—J. F. Baired, J. E. Amason, W. T. Meacham.
Home Mission Board—V. E. Kitchens, J. F. Baired (one year); W. H. Floyd, Mrs. G. L. Stevens (two years).
Sunday School and C. E. Board—C. C. Dollar, Miss Annie Huey (one year); G. S. Hunt, W. S. White (two years).
Superannuation—C. W. Carter, W. T. Meacham, J. H. Hughes.
Apportionments—J. W. Payne, J. J. Carter, O. H. Orr.
Foreign Missions—G. S. Hunt, C. C. Dollar, G. H. Veazey.
Tabulation—Joe French, J. H. Dollar, G. H. Veazey.

By motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the Secretary $15 for his services, and $10 for his own services.

It was decided by a vote that the Executive Committee have Church report blanks printed to suit our needs before next session of Conference.

Rev. J. H. Dollar was granted a transfer to the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be extended the Church and community of Roanoke for the splendid entertainment of this session of the Alabama Christian Conference.

By motion, the Conference adjourned, to meet with the Church at Wadley on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1929, at 10 o'clock A. M.

REV. G. D. HUNT, *President.*
REV. G. H. VEAZEY, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. E. Amason—Charge: Rock Springs. Sermons, 50; addresses, 5; members received, 3; baptism, 1; visits, 75; weddings, 2; funerals, 2. Salary, $94.30.

S. L. Beougher—Charge: Cragford, Wadley. Sermons, 65; addresses, 11; members received, 8; baptisms, 3; visits, 110; funerals, 2. Salary, $265.

C. W. Carter—Charge: Christiana, Corinth, Noon Day, Spring Hill. Sermons, 86; members received, 22; baptisms, 19; visits, 119; wedding, 1; funerals, 5. Salary, $366.25.

E. M. Carter—Charge: Good Hope, Mt. Carmel, Pope's Chapel, Youngsville. Sermons, 71; addresses, 3; members received, 11; baptisms, 6; weddings, 2; funerals, 10; visits, 250. Salary, $800. (Eastern N. C. Conference.)

J. H. Dollar—No charge. Teaching in Birmingham Southern College till June 1st. Sermons, 47; addresses, 2; members received, 29; baptism, 1; funerals, 3.

G. D. Hunt—Charge: Antioch, Bethany, Beulah, Mt. Zion, New Hope, Pleasant Grove. Sermons, 136; members received, 30; baptisms, 19; weddings, 3; funerals, 37. Salary, $1,243.

J. H. Hughes—Charge: Pisgah. Sermons, 34; members received, 10; weddings, 4; funeral, 1. Salary, $200.

W. T. Meacham—Charge: Dingler's Chapel, Lowell, McGuire's Chapel, New Harmony. Sermons, 164; addresses, 12; members received, 67; baptisms, 47; visits, 200; funerals, 3. Salary, $372.88.

J. B. Orr—No report.

John Taylor—No report.

G. H. Veazey—Charge: Damascus (in Eastern N. C. Conference till June 1st), Forest Home, Roanoke since June 15th. Sermons, 71; addresses, 20; members received, 35; visits, 175; funeral, 1. Salary, $525.

LICENTIATES.

C. C. Dollar—In school last year. Sermons, 7; addresses, 3.

Joe French—In school last year. Sermons, 25; addresses, 2.

G. S. Hunt—In school last year. Sermons, 24; addresses, 10. Salary, $42.17.

B. L. Smith—No charge. Sermons, 11.

J. Y. Vickers—No report.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Amount Paid on Apportionments.	Home and Foreign Missions.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor s Salary.	All Other Expenses.	TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch	G. D. Hunt	Miss Steva Hood, R. 1, Roanoke, Ala.	141	145	$ 100.00	$ 75.00	$ 10.00	$ 8.60	$ 300.00	$ 680.00	$ 1,173.60	$ 1,500
Arab	Discontinued		22									
Bethany	G. D. Hunt	W. J. Harry, Glenn, Ga.	41	39	40.00	23.08		10.00	130.00		163.08	1,500
Beulah	G. S. Hunt	J. D. Hall, R. 3, Wadley, Ala.	129	127	50.00	21.97	2.10	2.16	100.00		126.23	2,000
Carver's Grove	T. W. Gray	Miss Clara Narred, Wedowee, Ala.	61	53	35.00	6.35			56.40	3.00	112.60	1,000
Christiana	C. W. Carter	Howard Duck, R. 2, Dadeville, Ala.	54	57	40.00	6.25			76.00	135.00	217.25	1,500
Corinth	C. W. Carter	J. G. Harris, R. 4, Wadley, Ala.	76	83	50.00	8.25			52.20	60.00	120.45	1,500
Cragford*	G. S. Hunt	C. H. Mitchell, Cragford, Ala.	44	40	40.00	90.00	5.00	30.00	150.00	40.10	315.10	2,500
Dingler's Chapel	W. T. Meacham	Willie Pate, R. 3, Lineville, Ala.	33	38	25.00	20.00			62.00	10.00	92.00	1,000
Forest Home	G. H. Veazey	Bradley Houze, R. 2, Roanoke, Ala.	28	35	25.00	6.40		6.00	75.00	185.00	272.40	1,000
Liberty Grove	Discontinued		16									
Lowell	W. T. Meacham	Miss Cumi Waldrep, Roanoke, Ala.	127	110	50.00	40.00		5.50	206.88	46.50	298.88	Union
Macedonia	No Pastor		63	63								
McGuire's Chapel	W. T. Meacham	W. D. Fuller, R. 2, Daviston, Ala.	108	108	35.00	16.00			52.00	10.00	78.00	1,000
Mt. Zion	G. D. Hunt	J. B. Swann, R. 1, Roanoke, Ala.	159	165	100.00	25.00	7.00	25.40	200.00	6.00	263.40	2,500
New Harmony	W. T. Meacham	G. M. McCormick, Cragford, Ala.	56	63	60.00	34.25			71.00	24.93	130.18	2,000
New Home	No Pastor		25	25								
New Hope	G. D. Hunt	E. C. Stevens, R. 1, Roanoke, Ala.	185	177	100.00	57.80	9.31	33.40	250.00	41.50	392.01	2,000
Noon Day	C. W. Carter	T. W. Garner, R. 2, Weedowee, Ala.	137	119	75.00	24.50	1.88		149.00		175.38	2,000
Pisgah	J. H. Hughes	A. T. Strickland, Pisgah, Ala.	70	76	50.00	24.00			200.00	152.00	376.00	3,200
Pleasant Grove	G. D. Hunt	W. T. Hill, Lafayette, Ala., R. 3	87	91	60.00	52.58	13.62	25.00	150.00	25.00	266.20	2,500
Roanoke*	G. H. Veazey	Mrs. E. M. Hood, Roanoke, Ala.	37	65	50.00	50.00	10.00	34.00	390.00	910.00	1,394.00	5,700
Rock Springs	G. H. Veazey	Mrs. Mary L. Windsor, R. 4, Roanoke.	96	86	50.00	11.25		7.66	83.20	11.25	113.36	1,500
Rock Stand	C. C. Dollar	Mrs. Naomi Beverly, Roanoke, Ala.	96	71	75.00	18.00	2.00		90.00		110.00	1,500
Sand Hill	J. B. Orr	E. H. Orr, Orr City, Texas	68	68								
Shady Grove	G. S. Hunt	H. L. Bradford, R. 3, Lineville, Ala.	55	54	40.00				61.77		61.77	1,500
Spring Hill*	C. W. Carter	C. A. MaCoy, R. 1, Lineville, Ala.	60	67	40.00	40.00	6.76	18.31	100.00	12.36	217.43	Union
Wadley	S. L. Beougher	S. L. Beougher, Wadley, Ala.	88	90	100.00	84.06	29.94	105.00	225.00	236.70	725.70	2,800
Totals			2162	2115	$1295.00	$ 734.74	$ 97.61	$ 328.88	$3230.45	$2589.34	$ 6,995.02	$ 41,700

*Banner Church—Met Conference requirements.

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Eighth Annual Session of Eastern Virginia Christian Conference

CHRISTIAN TEMPLE, NORFOLK, VA., OCT. 31, TO NOV. 2, 1928.

FIRST DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in the One Hundredth and Eighth Annual Session, and was called to order at 10:30 A. M. by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, President.

Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Prayer led by Dr. N. G. Newman.

ENROLLMENT.

The following ministers and delegates were enrolled:

Ministers—M. F. Allen, J. W. Barrett, Sr., J. N. Cutchin, H. C. Caviness, W. H. Garman, C. E. Gerringer, W. C. Hook, H. S. Hardcastle, W. H. Harward, I. W. Johnson, L. L. Lassiter, J. W. Fix, T. N. Lowe, J. F. Morgan, N. G. Newman, G. A. Pearce, O. D. Poythress, C. C. Ryan, H. E. Rountree, M. W. Sutcliffe, L. E. Smith, W. W. Staley, E. B. White, R. S. Stephens, J. M. Roberts.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—W. E. Garrison, J. T. Godwin, R. H. Barrett, Mrs. C. M. Clements.

Berea (Nansemond)—A. S. Hargroves, R. B. Odom, Mrs. H. B. Harrell.

Berea (Norfolk)—M. W. Hollowell, R. S. Gammon.

Barrett's—

Bethlehem—Mrs. O. D. King, Mrs. C. W. King, E. R. Smith, J. W. Folk, O. D. King.

Burton's Grove—C. A. Brittle, T. E. Branch.

Centerville—

Christian Temple—M. J. W. White, W. L. Burgess, Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Mrs. W. R. Taylor.

Cypress Chapel—Clarence Bunch, Hugh Dudley, R. M. Jones, Mrs. R. M. Jones.

Damascus—J. E. Corbitt.

Dendron—W. S. Barrett.

Elm Avenue—J. H. Wilson, J. W. Felton.

Eure—

First (Norfolk)—Mrs. A. L. Barrett, Mrs. C. L. Hanbury, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Frey, Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, Mrs. C. M. Marwitz.
First (Portsmouth)—C. J. Heath, Mrs. C. J. Heath, Mrs. J. F. Brothers.
First (Richmond)—W. J. Stephenson, J. H. Newman.
Franklin—J. A. Williams, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Miss Hontas Rawles, Mrs. J. B. Gay.
Hobson—
Holland—E. L. Daughtrey, E. J. Norfleet, Mrs. B. W. Councill, Mrs. J. J. Gwaltney.
Holy Neck—E. T. Holland, Mrs. E. T. Holland, Mrs. J. J. Gomer, R. C. Norfleet.
Hopewell—Mrs. L. E. Hurlburt, Mrs. G. A. Robertson, W. T. Newman, Mrs. S. E. Ryan.
Isle of Wight—Mrs. M. T. Whitley.
Ivor—
Johnson's Grove—
Liberty Springs—I. T. Byrd, F. F. Brinkley, Fulmer Eason.
Old Zion—Mrs. Walter Pearson, Mrs. W. W. Starnes, Mrs. O. E. Gounewald, I. M. Givler.
Mt. Carmel—R. T. Bowden, S. A. Barrett.
Mt. Zion—Mrs. C. W. Wright, Mrs. R. M. Matthews, Mrs. J. J. Coggin.
New Lebanon—O. V. Cockes, O. M. Cockes.
Newport News—Mrs. W. H. Baker, Mrs. D. H. Lawson, Mrs. A. Williams.
Oak Grove—W. C. Beamon.
Oakland—E. W. Smith, Mrs. C. W. Darden, Mrs. E. W. Smith, C. H. Pitt, Mrs. J. J. Boulds.
Ocean View—I. W. Stagg, Mrs. Elizabeth Harrell, Mrs. L. G. Harris, W. H. Fentress.
Rosemont—H. R. Morrison, J. R. Odell, Mrs. O. S. Mills, H. C. Hedley, Mrs. H. C. Hedley.
St. Paul's—
St. Luke's—
South Norfolk—J. S. King, R. W. Spruill, Mrs. R. W. Spruill, Mrs. J. Meginley, Mrs. H. E. Seymour.
Spring Hill—
Suffolk—Mrs. I. W. Johnson, J. M. Darden, Mrs. W. H. Andrews, J. E. West.
Union (Southampton)—B. Drake.
Union (Surry)—R. T. Brittle.
Wakefield—E. W. Scarborough.
Waverly—B. E. White, Mrs. B. E. White.
Windsor—Mrs. J. M. Rabey, Mrs. Fulgham.
Webster—

Address of welcome by Dr. L. E. Smith, pastor.

Response by Rev. J. W. Fix, Franklin, Va.

The following visitors were recognized: Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mr. C. D. Johnston, Rev. W. E. Fitchett, Dr. P. J. Kernodle, Miss Pattie Coghill, Rev. J. E. MacCauley.

On motion, the program, as submitted, was adopted, subject to change by Conference.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, the members of the Executive Committee, wish to report that during the present Conference year we have granted ministerial letters of transfer to Dr. Roy C. Helfenstein and to Rev. H. C. Taylor to unite with the New Jersey Christian Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. HARDCASTLE.
I. W. JOHNSON.

The President appointed the following special committees for this session:

Nominations—W. C. Hook, J. W. Fix, J. F. Morgan, Mrs. R. B. Wood, Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Resolutions—E. B. White, J. W. Barrett, Sr., Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Mrs. E. T. Holland.

Finance—J. A. Williams, A. L. Jolly, E. T. Holland.

Press—L. E. Smith, J. F. Morgan.

Place for Next Session—H. C. Caviness, W. H. Garman, Mrs. E. L. Beale.

Collectors—R. C. Norfleet, R. E. Rogers, E. W. Smith.

Apportionments—R. B. Odom, B. D. Jones, M. W. Hollowell.

The report of W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, was read, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

CONFERENCE MISSION FUND.

Oct. 31.	Balance reported	$ 18.94
Nov. 5.	Conference collection	1,400.00
		$1,418.94
17.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 1	1,400.00
1928.		
Oct. 30.	Balance on hand	$ 18.94

1927. CONVENTION FUND.

Oct. 31.	Balance reported	$ 2.62
Nov. 5.	Conference collection	3,020.00
		$3,022.62

Dec. 21.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 8	$1,000.00	
1928.			
Feb. 15.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 13	770.00	
May 22.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 16	1,230.00	
			3,000.00
Oct. 30.	Balance on hand		$ 22.62

CONFERENCE FUND.

1927.			
Oct. 31.	Balance reported		$ 113.20
Nov. 5.	Conference collection		500.00
			$ 613.20
1927.			
Nov. 12.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 13	$ 100.00	
Dec. 5.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 4	7.75	
7.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 6	53.00	
9.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 7	12.25	
12.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 5	6.15	
1928.			
Mar. 5.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 14	300.00	
			479.15
Oct. 30.	Balance on hand		$ 134.05

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

1927.		
Oct. 29.	Balance reported	$2,802.82
Nov. 5.	Conference collection	224.27
1928.		
Oct. 2.	Elon College coupons	360.00
30.	Balance on hand	$3,387.09

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

1927.		
Oct. 31.	Balance reported	.....
Nov. 5.	Conference collection	$1,600.00
Dec. 21.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 10	1,600.00

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1927.		
Oct. 31.	Balance reported	$ 50.25
Nov. 5.	Conference collection	1,535.00
		$1,585.25
Dec. 21.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 9	1,535.00
1928.		
Oct. 30.	Balance on hand	$ 50.25

HOME MISSION FUND.

1927.			
Oct. 31.	Balance reported		$ 34.25
Nov. 5.	Conference collection		1,600.00
			$1,634.25
Nov. 26.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 3	$ 500.00	
29.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 2	1,000.00	
			1,500.00
1928.			
Oct. 30.	Balance on hand		$ 134.25

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

1927.		
Nov. 5.	Conference collection	$ 500.00
Dec. 21.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 11	500.00

REV. W. D. HARWARD FUND.

Receipts.

1927.		
Dec. 21.	By check from Waverly Church	$ 18.00
27.	By check from Waverly Church	12.00
1928.		
Jan. 17.	By check from Portsmouth Church	20.00
Feb. 9.	By check from Waverly Church	8.00
Mar. 23.	By check from Liberty Spring Church	16.00
May 26.	By check from Dendron Church	25.00
Aug. 13.	By check from Bethlehem Church	20.00
Oct. 29.	By check from Bethlehem Church	30.00
		$ 149.00

Disbursements.

1928.			
Jan. 6.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 12	$ 15.00	
Mar. 14.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 15	40.00	
May 25.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 17	15.00	
Sep. 11.	Paid Secretary's draft No. 18	45.00	
			115.00
Oct. 12.	Balance in bank		$ 34.00

RECAPITULATION.

Funds.	Balance.	Receipts.	Disbursed.	Bal. 1928.
Convention missions	$ 18.94	$ 1,400.00	$ 1,400.00	$ 18.94
Convention	2.62	3,020.00	3,000.00	22.62
Conference	113.20	500.00	479.15	134.05
Educational	2,802.82	584.27	.....	3,387.09
Elon College	.....	1,600.00	1,600.00	.....
Foreign missions	50.25	1,535.00	1,535.00	50.25
Home missions	34.25	1,600.00	1,500.00	134.25
Superannuated	.....	500.00	500.00	.....
Rev. W. D. Harward	.....	149.00	115.00	34.00
Total	$3,022.08	$10,888.27	$10,129.15	$3,781.20

Proof.

Balances October 31, 1927	$ 3,022.08	
Total receipts	10,888.27	
		$13,910.35
Disbursed	$10,129.15	
Balances October 30, 1928	3,781.20	
		13,910.35

Schedule—Bonds and Bills Receivable.

Six Elon College bonds of $1,000 each	$6,000.00

Individual Notes.

C. W. Rountree	$ 400.00	
J. W. Barrett	365.00	
J. Cleveland Barrett	270.00	
H. C. Hainer	400.00	
		1,435.00
Total		$7,435.00

Suffolk, Va., October 30, 1928.

Passbook, vouchers and above-listed securities have been exhibited to the Conference Secretary and are held in the vault of the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., subject to the order of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. MACCLENNY, *Treasurer.*

Suffolk, Va., October 30, 1928.

At the request of Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to hereby certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., the balances as shown by this report to the credit of the several funds—total, $3,781.20. He has also exhibited to me $6,000 in Elon College coupon bonds.

(Signed in duplicate.)

A. H. HARGROVE,
Assistant Cashier.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF TREASURER.

REV. W. D. HARWARD FUND.

1928.			
Oct. 29.	By check from Farnklin Church		$ 50.00
30.	By check from Waverly Church		18.00
			$ 68.00
30.	Amount shown on report		34.00
30.	Total amount on hand		$ 102.00
Dec. 1.	By check from Ivor Church		2.00
	By check from Waverly Church		15.00
			$ 119.00

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. MACCLENNY, *Treasurer.*

The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read by Dr. W. D. Harward, chairman, and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

No one can be legislated into righteousness, yet no one can be truly good who does not obey law. "The law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul." The way to insure reformation is for the people to experience regeneration. Genuine reformation works from within outward.

There are two recurring questions which, in substance, influence the action of every normal and responsible person—is it right? does it pay? The test for a valid course in life is also twofold—does it have a tendnecy to develop Christian character? does it radiate a wholesome influence pointing ever towards the highest end? There is a way that seemeth right. Happy is he who condemns not himself in that thing which he alloweth.

Without seeming to be too optimistic, from a human standpoint, we would like to register our findings in the expression of a confidence in an upward trend of the moral tone of the race. Those who question this, as they behold the working of wickedness and the blackness of immoral conditions, might recall that it is the sun shining against the cloud that makes it appear the blacker. And we call upon our people to allow this moral tone to become operative, not only in denouncing sin, but in maintaining those standards which register our moral and ethical conception of right, not only to denounce oil scandals but to strive to keep the way clear for a more complete destruction of Demon Rum.

But while we express our confidence in a higher moral tone among the people, we also believe that disregard for law is the greatest foe to the progress of civilization and the upbuilding of the kingdom of God in the world.

The eighteenth amendment to the Constitution and the Volstead act register the highest Christian sentiment and moral tone of the best people of our land.

And we renew our recommendation of a year ago, and now upon the eve of a very important election, that we will support no one for office in our government who is not in favor of the upholding and enforcement of our laws in regard to the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

We need more Christian people with a high moral tone to maintain a spiritual viewpoint with reference to Sabbath desecration, social evils, dishonesty in business, games of chance, etc.

We need to provide wholesome entertainment for our young people and seek to promote the purity of the home life. We call upon our people to establish family altars of prayer in the home and to encourage the reading of the Bible and good wholesome literature on the part of our young people.

As a safeguard for the young, as well as a solution of all our moral problems, we recommend a knowledge of God through Christian experience.

In order to do this we must depend, under God, upon a Christian leadership which has this experimental knowledge of God through Christ.

W. D. HARWARD.
C. C. RYAN.
E. T. HOLLAND.

Address on "Moral Reform" by Dr. C. C. Ryan.

Rev. O. D. Poythress spoke on the work of the Christian Missionary Association.

Address on "The Orphanage" by Mr. C. D. Johnston, superintendent.

Address on "The Orphanage" by Mr. J. M. Darden.

Communion service conducted by Dr. W. W. Staley, assisted by Dr. N. G. Newman, Dr. W. D. Harward and several deacons.

Conference adjourned for dinner.

Benediction by Dr. N. G. Newman.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 2 o'clock.

Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

Prayer led by Rev. H. C. Caviness.

Digest of Church and ministerial reports by the Secretary.

Report of the Committee on Stewardship read by Rev. W. C. Hook, acting chairman.

Address on "Stewardship" by Rev. J. W. Fix.

Report adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

In the matter of stewardship, we think altogether too often on the subject only as having to do with the increase of the revenues of the Church. This is, of course, one of the important aspects of the subject; but only those of us who have come to recognize all life as a partnership with God can claim to have a clear conception of stewardship. There are indeed many debts that we owe to Christ and the Church which money alone cannot pay. We owe a debt of loyalty and service in which payment of gold and silver will not suffice. We recommend, therefore, that a systematic study of the whole program of stewardship be put on in all of our Churches.

There has been a corresponding increase in wealth in the Church, people live in better houses, wear better clothes, travel in better vehicles, spend more on luxuries, and in every way do all other things on a larger and more extensive scale. This makes it obligatory on the Church to do more for the cause

of Christ. Paul's order for collections was, "As God has prospered him," thus the obligation for money contributions for the Church becomes not only plain and binding upon every member of the Church. Therefore, we recommend further that all the Churches of this Conference adopt the budget system and the annual every-member canvass, and that wherever possible the canvass be put on simultaneous throughout the Conference.

W. C. HOOK.
T. N. LOWE.
J. W. FIX.

Annual address by the President; theme: "The Message of the Gospel for This Age."

On motion, the Conference voted to request that the address of the President and the address of Rev. J. W. Fix be printed in *The Christian Sun.*

Rev. H. E. Rountree, chaplain U. S. N., was presented to the Conference.

Report of the Woman's Missionary Conference was read by Mrs. M. L. Bryant, President, and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

Approximately five hundred women members of the Eastern Virginia Missionary Conference gathered in the Suffolk Christian Church on Friday, October 26, 1928, for their sixteenth annual session. In point of interest, attendance and enthusiasm, the meeting surpassed all previous ones. Fifteen of our Eastern Virginia ministers came to help in any way possible. The fact that our ministers, nearly every one of them, have co-operated so heartily has certainly put confidence in our women leaders.

Never before have we had such splendid reports from our district superintendents. Our department superintendents read reviews of their labors that showed unlimited effort and anxiety. Each one really seemed a specialist in their particular field.

Our invited speaker for the day, Dr. O. V. Armstrong, of the Presbyterian board, who has been more than twenty years in China; Mrs. Smith, of the Methodist board, who has worked in Korea and our field; Secretary Dr. J. O. Atkinson brought us messages of inspiration and encouragement.

The program was greatly enriched by the splendid devotionals led by Dr. Pell and Mrs. E. L. Beale, also by the singing of Mrs. Telza Miller, Mrs. Clarence Harrell, Mr. W. W. Ballard, and Rev. O. D. Poythress. The ministers of the city of Suffolk were our luncheon guests, and were introduced from the platform at the beginning of our afternoon program.

It was significant that just as we had announced our offering for the Barrett automobile fund, we received a cablegram from them bearing their greetings. The one outstanding accomplishment of our year's work outside of our regular budget was the purchase of a Chevrolet car for the Barretts as a gift to the Porto Rico wokrers This car was purchased on faith after our year's apportionments were all announced, and people have responded liberally. The entire cost of car, including the license, was $706.50, and we have paid all except about fifty dollars on the account.

It was not our purpose to show a lack of faith or a desire not to make progress by setting our goal for this next year at $7,000—the same that we had for this year—as certain facts had to be considered. We are losing our funds from the Dover Church, and that will give us a loss of about four hundred dollars that has to be accounted for as an increase for the next year. We shall certainly go over the top if possible.

Memberships, particularly in women's societies, have been somewhat reduced because of a ruling that for every member reported, sufficient dues should be sent to the Treasurer. This, in some instances, called for a revision of rolls and terminated in active and inactive lists of members.

A very interesting chart, prepared by our treasurer, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, showed the following facts: We have 28 women's societies, with a membership of 903; 22 Young People's Societies, with a membership of 610; 17 Willing Workers' Societies, with a membership of 254, and 19 Cradle Roll Societies, with a membership of 309. This makes a total of 86 organizations, with 2,075 members. The women's societies this year contributed $4,674.23; the Young People's Societies, $1,776.14; the Willing Workers' Societies, $630.62, and the Cradle Roll Societies, $138.13. These amounts, with our special contributions, gave us a total raised for all purposes this Conference year, of $7,680.42.

The following officers were elected, subject to your approval: President, Mrs. M. L. Bryant; vice-president, Mrs. W. H. Yates; secretary, Mrs. L. W. Stagg; treasurer, Mrs. W. V. Leathers; superintendents of departments—young people, Mrs. R. T. Bradford; cradle roll, Mrs. Nelson; literature, Mrs. J. E. Cartwright; spiritual life, Mrs. W. H. Andrews; life membership, Mrs. O. S. Mills; Conference editor, Mrs. J. H. Fix.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. L. BRYANT, *President.*

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. L. E. Smith, chairman, and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

By Convention action, the task of raising and receiving funds for work outside of our Conference has been taken out of our hands as a Conference. This task has been assigned the Mission Board of the Southern Christian Convention. However, it is our privilege and duty to educate, to stimulate and to assist in every way possible our Mission Board of the Southern Convention in raising the necessary amount to carry on the work of our Church.

The Convention, in session at Richmond, authorized our Mission Board to issue a call to the Churches of the Southern Convention for $45,000—half for home and half for foreign mission. This Conference is asked to raise $15,563, not through the Conference but direct from the Churches and Sunday Schools, through your budget, by personal subscription or by special offerings, according as the individual Church may elect. If the total amount collected for missions from one Church and sent to Dr. Atkinson, including Sunday School offerings, amount to as much as one-third of the amount you pay your pastor, you will have raised your full quota and will be listed as a banner Church.

We submit the following resolutions:

1. That we endorse the action of the Convention at Richmond in issuing a call for $45,000 for home and foreign mission.

2. That we endorse the action of the Mission Board in apportioning the amount to be raised by this Conference to the Churches on the basis of pastor's salary, which amounts to one-third of pastor's salary.

3. That all Churches not having pledged themselves to raise this amount be requested to do so as soon after Conference as possible, and we suggest that the amount be included in your budget, raised by personal subscription in special offerings or as the Church may elect.

4. That in the event there are Churches that do not care to adopt the full quota requested, that such Churches be requested to put forth every possible effort to raise their quota. That they put on personal campaigns and arrange for a special campaign and offering in the spring, receiving the offering on Easter Sunday or the Sunday nearest thereto.

The offerings from the Sunday Schools and Church to be counted, but not the offerings from the Woman's Missionary Societies, as this amount has already been deducted from the $45,000 to be raised.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. SMITH.
O. D. POYTHRESS.
H. C. CAVINESS.

Address on "The Southern Christian Convention's Program of Missions," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary.

Minutes read and approved.

Conference adjourned till evening session.

Benediction by Dr. W. W. Staley.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met at 7:30 o'clock.

Service of worship conducted by Dr. L. E. Smith and members of the choir.

Conference sermon by Dr. C. C. Ryan; topic, "Building the Temple."

Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Prayer led by Dr. W. D. Harward.

The following bills were presented and referred to the Committee on Finance: I. W. Johnson, Secretary, postage and stationery, $3.00; Central Publishing Company, programs, $6.15.

New delegates were enrolled.

Report of Committee on Education was read by Dr. W. W. Staley, chairman.

Address, "College Problems," by Dr. W. A. Harper, president of Elon College.

The report on education was, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The soul of education is the Church college. Harvard College was founded in 1638 mainly to prepare for entrance into the Puritan ministry; and it was named after Rev. John Harvard, who came from England in 1627 and died in 1638, the year Harvard was founded.

Princeton College, founded in 1746, owed its organization to Rev. Aaron Burr, who sprang from the synod of Philadelphia. The educational progress of this nation roots itself in Christian men and Christian colleges, and it must live in and through them. Elon College, therefore, deserves and should have the support and patronage of the Southern Christian Convention, for it is in harmony with the origin and development of education in this country; and the public school system of the United States was founded under the leadership of Horace Mann, a member of the Christian Church. The Church college and

Christian men are at the heart of real education, and, therefore, greater emphasis should be placed upon the education of ministers of the gospel. No place of human service needs more thorough education than the pulpit, and that education should be based upon a personal experience of regeneration and a deep conviction of a divine call to the ministry. A man born again from above, called of God to preach the gospel, and then thoroughly educated and led by the Spirit in his work, is qualified for a life of useful service for the kingdom and mankind.

Revs. J. B. Chadwick, Dennis F. Parsons, D. D. Nash, J. T. Harrod and Richie Ervin Brittle remain on the list of licentiates.

Devaney Cooper, in school at Elon College, is on the list as a candidate for the ministry.

We recommend that a letter of transfer be granted Rev. John G. Truitt, who is now pastor of the First Christian Church, Dayton, Ohio, to unite with the Miami Ohio Christian Conference.

We recommend that the Conference authorize the Conference Treasurer, W. E. MacClenny, to communicate with those whose notes he holds for money borrowed from the educational fund, on their education, and secure a settlement in cash or new notes, with the specification that these new notes bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the date of December 1, 1928, said interest to be paid annually until the note is paid in full; and, further, that notes be secured from those against whom the Conference holds accounts for money loaned for the same purpose as above, and that interest be charged at the same rate, beginning at the same time, December 1, 1928.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Cash in Farmers Bank, Suffolk, Va.		$3,387.09
Elon College bonds		6,000.00
Total		$9,387.00
Notes.		
C. W. Rountree	$ 400.00	
J. W. Barrett, Jr.	365.00	
J. C. Barrett	270.00	
Harold C. Hainer	400.00	
		1,415.00
Accounts.		
J. T. Harrod	$ 225.00	
T. Fred Wright	600.00	
Floyd D. Ballard	150.00	
		975.00
Total		$11,797.09

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. STALEY,
N. G. NEWMAN,
I. W. JOHNSON,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Treasurer of the Conference be authorized to collect the unpaid obligations from those who have borrowed money from the educational fund and are not in the active ministry.

It was moved and carried that all ministerial students making application for loans from the educational fund be required to give proper security for the same.

It was moved and carried that Dr. L. E. Smith be appointed a special committee to assist the Treasurer in making collection of notes due the educational fund.

Rev. M. James, of the Baptist Church, and Rev. C. E. Shelton, of the Congregational Church, were introduced to the Conference.

Special prayer for Rev. F. C. Lester was led by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

It was moved and carried that a message of greeting be sent to Rev. F. C. Lester.

Address on "Christian Union" by Dr. C. E. Shelton.

A vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Shelton for the address.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. M. F. Allen; theme, "Seeing Jesus."

Conference adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev. J. W. Fix.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2 o'clock. In the absence of Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, who was called to Suffolk to a funeral, Dr. N. G. Newman presided.

Mr. E. L. Daughtrey and Dr. W. D. Harward were added to the Committee on Apportionments.

Report of the Committee on Religious Literature was read by Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe, chairman.

It was moved and carried that the Committee on Finance be instructed to make recommendations for the division of the Conference funds in accordance with the schedule of the Conference and the request of the Southern Christian Convention.

An application of a new Church at Ducat, King George County, Va., for admission to the Conference and an application of Licentiate W. E. Fitchett for admission as a licentiate was read by Colonel J. E. West.

It was moved and carried that the application of the Church be referred to the Committee on Home Missions and the Executive Committee, with power to act.

It was moved and carried that the application of Rev. W. E. Fitchett be referred to the Committee on Education and the Executive Committee, with power to act.

Rev. W. E. Fitchett and the delegate from the Church at Ducat were intrdouced to the Conference.

Report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by Col. J. E. West, chairman.

Address, "Our Home Mission Opportunities," by Rev. W. C. Hook.

Address by Colonel J. E. West.

The report on home missions was, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

As soon as past pledges are paid, we hope to employ a Conference missionary to organize new Churches within the bounds of this Conference.

We recommend the usual appropriataion of $1,000 to the Christian Temple, which leaves a balance due of $6,000 on pledge heretofore made.

We recommend the appropriation of $500 to South Norfolk Church, or so much thereof as the home mission fund of this Conference will permit.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. WEST (*Chairman*).
I. T. BYRD.
E. E. HOLLAND.
L. R. JONES.
MRS. J. M. RABEY.

Address on Christian Education by Miss Pattie Coghill.

Report of the Committee on Evangelism was read by Rev. H. C. Caviness, chairman.

Address on "Evangelism," by Rev. O. D. Poythress.

Report of Committee on Evangelism was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

We, your Committee on Evangelism, respectfully submit the following report:

1. That we express our thanks to Almighty God for the work done in the field of evangelism throughout the bounds of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference during the past year.

2. That we reaffirm our allegiance to the program of evangelism as prescribed by Jesus Christ, our Lord, collectively and individually.

3. That we urge the individual churchman and church-woman, both young and old, to devote more time and talent toward personal evangelism, the winning of the individual by the individual through the power of God's Word, and the act of the Holy Spirit moving in and through a consecrated laity and actuated by a passion for the supreme cause of Christ, the salvation of the lost.

4. That we recommend for personal study in evangelism the teaching of Christ throughout the New Testament, but in particular through the gospel of John, and urge every one to secure a copy or copies of the gospel of John from James Ely, Garden City, Kansas, at 3 cents per copy, which, in addition to the gospel, contains many valuable foot-notes and insertions to the individual in soul-winning. An unusually fine little book for study and distribution.

5. That, as a challenge to the individual Church member, we take the liberty of quoting from the leaflet, "Suppose" (published by the Great Commission Prayer League, 808 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Ill.), perhaps the greatest soul-winning organization in the United States, which distributes thousands of these leaflets each year without cost, and as a medium that shall motivate individual soul-winning.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. CAVINESS (*Chairman*),
J. F. MORGAN,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
Committee on Evangelism.

Report of Committee on Religious Literature was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

In view of the fact that the responsibilities which are now resting upon our shoulders as builders of Christian civilization will soon pass to the boys and girls of today, we realize the importance of religious training in early childhood if stalwart Christian characters are to be produced. We wish to take as a basis Prov. 22:6: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

It is vitally necessary that we recognize the Christian home as a tremendous factor in character building; therefore, we would recommend:

1. That Bible reading be given first place in the home, for in it we discover man's highest ideal for character building. Jesus Himself being the foundation of all that is noblest, and best in our lives.

2. That the constituents of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference subscribe to and read our denominational literature, such as *The Christian Sun*, *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, books on Christian stewardship, books on missions, home and foreign; also such tracts and pamphlets, etc., as may be available treating on these subjects.

Respectfully submitted,

M. W. SUTCLIFFE.
E. B. WHITE.
GEO. A. PEARCE.
W. H. GORMAN.

Minutes of today were read and approved.
Conference adjourned till evening session.
Benediction by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met at 7:30 o'clock. Invocation by Rev. E. B. White. Song service in charge of Rev. J. F. Morgan. Prayer led by Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe.

Address, "The Need of Prayer in a World Governed by Law," by Dr. W. A. Harper.

Address, "The Paths that Lead to the City of God," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Prayer led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.
Benediction by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met at 9:30 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Prayer led by Rev. W. H. Garman.

Report of Committee on Memoirs was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, chairman, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your Committee on Memoirs is grateful to report that there have been no deaths during this Conference year among our ministers or officers.

N. G. NEWMAN, *Chairman.*

The report of the Committee on Nominations was submitted, and the following officers for the ensuing year were duly elected:

President—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va.
Vice-President—Dr. J. W. Manning, Norfolk, Va.
Secretary—Dr. I. W. Johnson, Suffolk, Va.
Assistant Secretary—Rev. J. F. Morgan, Berkley, Va.
Treasurer—Mr. W. E. MacClenny, Suffolk, Va.

Discussion, "Our Church Problems," "Christian Church Men," "Superannuation."

It was moved and carried that the President appoint a Committee on Superannuation, whose duty it shall be to deal with the matter of ministerial relief, such as making recommendations of worthy persons to the Board of Superannuation of the Southern Christian Convention, and, when necessary, take steps to apportion to the Churches of the Conference extra calls for help for this cause.

It was moved and carried that the President appoint a special Committee on Ministerial Ethics.

The following supplemental report to the report of the Committee on Education was adopted:

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We recommend that Rev. J. E. MacCauley be enrolled as an elder of this Conference as soon as his transfer is received from the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

Discussion, "Our Colleges," by Dr. W. A. Harper and Dr. L. E. Smith.

It was moved and carried that this Conference endorse the plan of the last session of the Southern Christian Convention providing for a quarterly offering from the Sunday Schools for Elon College.

Discussion, "Missions."

It was announced that Mr. J. M. Darden had agreed to give $5,000 for missions, provided the Southern Christian Convention will raise $40,000 during the year. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Darden for his generous offer.

A telegram was read announcing the death of Dr. Alva M. Kerr, editor of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty,* Dayton, Ohio.

Conference adjourned for dinner. Special prayer and benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 2 o'clock. Devotional service conducted by Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Rev. W. E. Fitchett spoke concerning his mission work at Ducat, Va.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be instructed to send a message of condolence and sympathy to the *Herald* and to the family of the late Dr. A. M. Kerr.

It was moved and carried that it is the sense of this Conference that the Executive Committee of the Southern Christian Convention have a representative at the funeral of Dr. A. M. Kerr.

It was moved and carried that the place for holding next session be determined by the Executive Committee.

Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Staples, of the M. E. Church, South, were introduced to the Conference.

The collectors reported that the amount paid in by the Churches for the Conference funds was $9,317.90.

The Secretary was authorized to accept the Conference funds and deliver same to the Treasurer.

The Executive Committee was requested to make an effort to secure th reports and unpaid Conference funds from the delinquent Churches.

Report of the Committee on Finance was read by Mr. E. T. Holland and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We have examined the report of W. E. MacClenny, Treasurer, and find same correct. We recommend the payment of the following amounts from Conference fund:

I. W. Johnson, stamps and stationery	$ 3.00
I. W. Johnson, salary (one year)	50.00
Central Publishing Company, 500 programs	6.15
Dr. L. E. Smith, stamps	1.40

We recommend that the following division of funds be made:

Conference fund	$ 400.00
Educational fund	200.00
Home mission fund	1,500.00

We further recommend that after the above amounts have been deducted that the Secretary be instructed to forward to Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of Southern Christian Convention, Inc., the balance in hand.

We also recommend that the Treasurer of the Conference be required to give bond of sufficient size to make secure the funds of this Conference passing through his hands, and that the premium of the bond be paid by the Conference and is hereby ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WILLIAMS.
E. T. HOLLAND.
H. T. JOLLY.

REPORT OF THE DR. W. D. HARWARD FUND.

Amount received by Dr. W. H. Harward from the Churches and the Conference during the past year as a special offering	$ 580.00
Balance on hand in Conference treasury	119.00
Total	$ 699.00

Report of Committee on Resolutions was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee on Resolutions begs leave to report, recommending the following resolutions:

1. We thank the Committee on Arrangements for the splendid program carried out.

2. That we express our deep appreciation of the splendid service rendered by the Conference officials during the year.

3. That we express our appreciation to the officers of this session of Conference for their very efficient service in conducting so harmoniously and satisfactorily the business and work of this Conference.

4. That we hereby thank the ladies who so efficiently served the delicious meals in the Church dining-room, and that we express our thanks to those who assisted in the rendering of music during the Conference session.

5. That this Conference express by rising vote its grateful thanks to the pastor, members and friends of the Christian Temple for the hospitality extended the members and visitors to this Conference.

6. That this Conference go on record as being in hearty accord with the splendid approach that the Congregational and Christian Churches are making toward each other for a closer fellowship and Christian unity.

7. That it be our prayer and earnest desire that our lives may be more useful to our Blessed Lord in winning souls for Him, and that we pledge our loyalty to the promotion of every enterprise of our Church.

Respectfully submitted,
E. B. WHITE.
MRS. W. H. ANDREWS.
MRS. E. T. HOLLAND.

Report of Committee on Apportionments was read by Mr. M. W. Hollowell and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We, your Committee on Apportionments, submit the following apportionments for the Churches for the year 1928-1929:

Antioch	$ 150.00	First, Richmond	150.00
Barretts	140.00	First, Portsmouth	150.00
Berea (Nan.)	200.00	Franklin	350.00
Berea (Norfolk)	150.00	Hobson	20.00
Bethlehem	280.00	Holland	450.00
Burton's Grove	75.00	Holy Neck	350.00
Centerville	45.00	Hopewell	25.00
Christian Temple	1,200.00	Isle of Wight	35.00
Cypress Chapel	150.00	Ivor	35.00
Damascus	155.00	Johnson's Grove	100.00
Dendron	65.00	Liberty Springs	295.00
Eure	150.00	Mt. Carmel	150.00
Elm Avenue	50.00	Mt. Zion	35.00
First, Norfolk	450.00	Newport News	300.00

New Lebanon	65.00	St. Lukes	10.00
Ocean View	25.00	St. Paul's	10.00
Old Zion	400.00	Union (Southampton)	120.00
Oak Grove	50.00	Union (Surry)	50.00
Oakland	225.00	Wakefield	85.00
Rosemont	250.00	Waverly	310.00
Suffolk	2,000.00	Windsor	120.00
Sarem	35.00	Webster	180.00
South Norfolk	500.00		
Spring Hill	50.00	Total	$10,510.00

M. W. HOLLOWELL,
W. D. HARWOOD,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the minutes be printed in THE ANNUAL, and that 600 copies be purchased and distributed among the Churches pro rata, and that the Secretary be authorized to draw draft on the Conference fund to pay for same.

Standing Committees for ensuing year appointed by the President as follows:

Executive—H. S. Hardcastle, I. W. Johnson, J. W. Manning.
Education—W. W. Staley, I. W. Johnson, N. G. Newman.
Home Missions—J. E. West, E. E. Holland, I. T. Byrd.
Foreign Missions—L. E. Smith, Mrs. M. L. Bryant, M. J. W. White, J. M. Darden.
Christian Education—F. C. Lester, W. H. Baker, J. F. West, Jr., W. C. Hook, E. T. Holland.
Religious Literature—M. W. Sutcliffe, C. E. Gerringer, T. N. Lowe, G. A. Pearce.
Evangelism—H. C. Caviness, O. D. Poythress, J. F. Morgan, W. H. Garman.
Stewardship—J. M. Fix, J. E. McCauley, W. H. Denison.
Mroal Reform—C. C. Ryan, M. F. Allen, E. B. White.
Apportionments—I. A. Luke, R. B. Odom, R. E. Rodgers, B. D. Jones.
Superannuation—L. E. Smith, J. A. Williams, F. C. Lester.
Ministerial Ethics—N. G. Newman, W. D. Harward, M. W. Hollowell, J. W. Barrett, Sr.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet Wednesday before the first Sunday in November, 1929, at 10:30 A. M., at such place as may be selected bp the Executive Committee.

Benediction by Dr. W. W. Staley.

H. S. HARDCASTLE, *President.*
I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

M. F. Allen—Churches in charge: Newport News; supply Hobson and Mt. Zion. Sermons, 158; addresses, 21; members received, 50; baptisms, 5; visits, 500; marriages, 8; funerals, 4. Salary, $2,000.

R. E. Brittle—Church in charge: Cypress Chapel. Sermons, 34; addresses, 4; members received, 14; visits, 438; funerals, 3. Salary, $550.

H. C. Caviness—Church in charge: First, Portsmouth. Sermons, 150; members received, 37; baptisms, 7; visits, 350; marriages, 3; funerals, 6. Salary, $2,520.

J. B. Chadwick—Church in charge: St. Paul's (Del.). Sermons, 57; baptisms, 7; funeral, 1. Salary, $75.

J. N. Cutchin—No charge. Sermons, 18; address, 1; funerals, 2. Salary, $20.

W. H. Denison—Secretary General Convention. Sermons and addresses, 248. Salary, $3,000.

J. W. Fix—Churches in charge: Franklin and Union, Southampton. Sermons, 113; addresses, 8; members received, 33; baptisms, 5; visits, 425; marriages, 3; funerals, 9. Salary, $2,700.

J. L. Foster—Church in charge: Salem Chapel. Sermons, 23; members received, 2; baptisms, 3; visits, 63; funerals, 3. Salary, $300.

W. H. Garman—Church in charge: Old Zion. Sermons, 170; addresses, 10; members received, 24; baptisms, 18; visits, 780; marriages, 19; funerals, 28. Salary, $2,080.

C. E. Gerringer—Churches in charge: Wakefield, Barrett's, Burton's Grove and Ivor. Sermons, 121; members received, 6; marriages, 3; funerals, 11. Salary, $1,565.51.

H. S. Hardcastle—Church in charge: Suffolk. Sermons, 108; addresses, 15; members received, 14; baptisms, 6; marriages, 16; funerals, 20. Salary, $2,500.

W. D. Harward—Church in charge: Mt. Carmel (8 months). Sermons, 25; members received, 21; baptisms, 21; marriages, 3; funerals, 9. Salary, $275.

W. C. Hook—Church in charge—Holland. Sermons, 115; addresses, 11; members received, 31; baptisms, 18; marriage, 1; funerals, 6. Salary, $2,500.

I. W. Johnson—Churches in charge: Berea (Nansemond), Liberty Springs, Oakland. Sermons, 72; members received, 27; baptisms, 20; visits, 350; marriages, 122; funerals, 17. Salary, $1,750.

L. L. Lassiter—No charge.

T. N. Lowe—Church in charge: Elm Avenue, Portsmouth. Sermons, 181; members received, 24; baptisms, 8; visits, 971; marriage, 1; funerals, 9. Salary, $1,600.

J. E. McCauley—Church in charge: First, Norfolk (one month). Sermons, 9; visits, 75. Salary, $208.33.

J. F. Morgan—Churches in charge: Rosemont and Berea (Norfolk). Sermons, 191; addresses, 11; members received, 58; baptisms, 22; visits, 1,270; marriages, 11; funerals, 10. Salary, $2,600.

D. D. Nash—Church in charge: Hopewell. Sermons, 138; addresses, 2; members received, 19; visits, 75; funerals, 3. Salary, $100.

N. G. Newman—Church in charge: Holy Neck. Sermons, 50; members received, 14; baptisms, 7; visits, 300; marriages, 4; funerals, 10. Salary, $2,000.

G. A. Pearce—Churches in charge: Bethlehem, Antioch, Isle of Wight, and Windsor. Sermons, 96; members received, 41; baptisms, 38; visits, 300; funerals, 8. Salary, $1,500.

O. D. Poythress—Church in charge: South Norfolk. Sermons, 228; addresses, 3; members received, 32; baptisms, 16; visits, 900; marriages, 30; funerals, 72. Salary, $3,200.

J. M. Roberts—Churches in charge: Eure, Sarem, Oak Grove, Johnson's Grove. Sermons, 76; members received, 7; baptisms, 8; marriages, 4; funerals, 15. Salary, $900.

H. E. Rountree—Chaplain U. S. N. Sermons, 173; members received, 94; baptisms, 82; funerals, 4. Salary, $3,450, free rental and subsistence.

C. C. Ryan—Church in charge: Richmond. Sermons, 155; addresses, 16; marriages, 16; funerals, 8. Salary, $2,400.

W. W. Staley—Church: Suffolk. Sermons, 75; visits, 2,022; marriages, 19; funerals, 74. Salary, $2,500.

M. W. Sutcliffe—Church in charge: Webster. Sermons, 107; addresses, 43; members received, 2; visits, 280; marriages, 8; funerals, 2. Salary, $1,560.

J. G. Truitt—Church in charge: First, Norfolk. Sermons, 115; addresses, 15; members received, 10; visits, 723; marriages, 8; funerals, 15. Salary, $2,500.

E. B. White—Churches in charge: Dendron, New Lebanon, Union (Surry), Damascus. Sermons, 134; addresses, 6; members received, 2; baptisms, 2; visits, 125; marriage, 1; funerals, 6. Salary, $1,500.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.
Antioch	G. A. Pearce	J. T. Godwin, Windsor, Va.	367	366
Barrett's	C. E. Gerringer	D. E. Barrett, Sebrell, Va.	111	107
Berea (Nansemond)	1. W. Johnson	Mrs. L. E. Hargraves, Driver, Va.	130	128
Berea (Norfolk)	J. F. Morgan	M. W. Hollowell, 1138 Hollady, P'tsmouth	151	158
Burton's Grove	C. E. Gerringer	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va.	69	83
Bethlehem	G. A. Pearce	J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va.	290	306
Centerville	F. C. Lester	J. L. Moss, Disputanta, Va.	84	87
Christian Temple	L. E. Smith	F. M. Brewer, 867 Ocean View Av., Norfolk	1,398	1,455
Cypress Chapel	R. E. Brittle	C. W. Rountree, Cypress Chapel, Va.	160	182
Damascus	E. B. White	J. E. Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.	151	149
Dendron	E. B. White	W. S. Barrett, Dendron, Va.	94	76
Elm Avenue	T. N. Lowe	F. A. Bell, 1913 Elm Av., Portsmouth	131	148
Eure	J. M. Roberts	W. M. Sparkman, Eure, N. C.	250	256
Epworth	W. C. Moore	(Mission Point)	...	...
First (Norfolk)	J. E. McCauley	W. J. Thomas, 136 Princeton Av., Norfolk.	435	300
First (Portsmouth)	H. C. Caviness	R. W. Holland, Jr., 410 Owen St., Portsm.	163	182
First (Richmond)	C. C. Ryan	D. W. Darden, 2905 W. Grace St.	138	152
Franklin	J. W. Fix	W. A. Daughtrey, Franklin, Va.	277	265
Hobson	M. F. Allen	T. H. Beale, Hobson, Va.	15	15
Holland	W. C. Hook	A. J. Holland, Holland, Va.	420	442
Holy Neck	N. G. Newman	Alva L. Norfleet, Holland, Va.	371	378
Hopewell	D. D. Nash	Mrs. W. A. Warner, Hopewell, Va.	72	88
Isle of Wight	G. A. Pearce	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va.	85	77
Ivor	C. E. Gerringer	Miss Dona V. Williams, Ivor, Va.	28	27
Johnson's Grove	J. M. Roberts	Mrs. B. F. Hancock, Sedley, Va.	104	102
Liberty Spring	1. W. Johnson	F. F. Brinkley, Suffolk, Va.	302	303
Mt. Carmel	W. D. Harward	Mrs. Julian Carr, Walters, Va.	241	164
Mt. Zion	M. F. Allen	Mrs. Clara F. Clarke, Norfolk, Va.	47	56
New Lebanon	E. B. White	O. V. Cockes, Elberon, Va.	67	45
Newport News	M. F. Allen	Mrs. W. H. Baker, Newport News, Va.	274	323
Oakland	1. W. Johnson	W. G. Saunders, Suffolk, Va.	338	356
Ocean View	W. H. Fentress	J. A. Bernocco, 702 Chesapeake Ave.	57	45
Old Zion	W. H. Garman	W. W. Starnes, 1259 W. 48th St., Norfolk	589	613
Rosemont	J. F. Morgan	H. C. Hedley, 18 Holly St., S. Norfolk	281	311
St. Luke's	R. S. Stephens	Willard Carrons, Dover, Del.	14	11
Sarem	J. M. Roberts	W. J. Felton, Gates, N. C.	36	33
St. Paul's	J. B. Chadwick	S. S. Sapp, Wyoming, Del.	25	25
Suffolk	H. S. Hardcastle and W. W. Staley.	J. D. MacClenny, Suffolk, Va.	1,201	1,207
South Norfolk	O. D. Poythress	C. E. Hollowell, So. Norfolk, Va.	585	601
Spring Hill	F. C. Lester	C. C. Richardson, Waverly, Va.	77	70
Union (South.)	J. W. Fix	B. Drake, Franklin, Va.	128	136
Union (Surry)	E. B. White	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va.	50	18
Wakefield	C. E. Gerringer	A. H. Spivey, Wakefield, Va.	82	82
Waverly	F. C. Lester	R. T. West, Waverly, Va.	285	281
Windsor	G. A. Pearce	J. L. Eley, Windsor, Va.	124	132
Webster	M. W. Sutcliffe	Mrs. C. Tolson, Havre de Grace, Md.	178	178
Totals	...	...	10,475	10,504

NOTE.—No reports received from Wakefield, Hobson or Webster. Partial statistics from last

Virginia Conference.

Received during Year.	Paid on Conference Apportionments.	Mission Offerings.	All Other Benevolences.	Pastor's Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
9	$ 77.90	.....	.....	$ 427.00	.....	$ 135.00	$ 639.90	$ 5,000.00
....	.....	$ 7.00	.....	200.00	.....	24.00	231.00	1,000.00
4	200.00	537.00	$ 185.00	600.00	.....	305.00	1,827.00	10,000.00
9	150.00	140.00	215.00	600.00	$ 250.00	412.00	1,797.00	5,500.00
16	25.00	10.00	.....	200.00	100.00	39.00	374.00	4,500.00
20	280.00	380.00	335.00	550.00	11.00	608.00	2,164.00	21,000.00
3	45.00	35.00	12.00	200.00	.....	58.00	350.00	1,200.00
66	1,200.00	3,326.00	472.00	4,500.00	10,897.00	10,745.00	31,140.00	339,000.00
22	150.00	112.00	82.00	500.00	1,783.00	697.00	3,314.00	25,000.00
1	100.00	60.00	20.00	300.00	800.00	69.00	1,349.00	2,000.00
....	65.00	44.00	146.00	600.00	.....	310.00	1,160.00	2,500.00
24	50.00	200.00	160.00	1,600.00	694.00	977.00	3,681.00	13,200.00
6	55.00	40.00	25.00	450.00	300.00	100.00	970.00	3,500.00
....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	450.00	78.00	331.00	2,850.00	951.00	2,002.00	6,662.00	40,500.00
37	135.00	505.00	459.00	2,520.00	1,040.00	1,730.00	6,387.00	75,000.00
15	150.00	282.00	760.00	2,400.00	44,150.00	8,101.00	55,843.00	178,000.00
21	350.00	1,119.00	616.00	2,400.00	1,381.00	1,934.00	7,800.00	47,000.00
....	.....	10.00	20.00	50.00	.....	20.00	100.00	2,500.00
31	450.00	963.00	454.00	2,500.00	1,638.00	1,646.00	7,651.00	53,000.00
14	350.00	640.00	403.00	2,000.00	130.00	1,125.00	4,648.00	16,000.00
19	.....	54.00	32.00	100.00	4,926.00	689.00	5,801.00	7,300.00
4	35.00	44.00	289.00	264.00	.....	270.00	802.00	3,500.00
1	.....	17.00	49.00	200.00	24.00	55.00	345.00	2,500.00
2	50.00	12.00	214.00	.....	.....	29.00	305.00	2,000.00
6	295.00	400.00	183.00	550.00	350.00	255.00	2,033.00	20,000.00
20	125.00	84.00	173.00	500.00	250.00	245.00	1,377.00	10,000.00
9	45.00	.....	32.00	100.00	65.00	125.00	367.00	2,000.00
....	25.00	50.00	32.00	300.00	.....	126.00	508.00	3,300.00
50	200.00	717.00	241.00	2,000.00	.....	885.00	4,773.00	10,000.00
20	225.00	125.00	150.00	600.00	1,200.00	550.00	2,875.00	20,000.00
16	25.00	33.00	32.00	.....	.....	.....	80.00	4,000.00
25	400.00	150.00	466.00	2,080.00	335.00	528.00	3,959.00	20,000.00
50	250.00	806.00	500.00	2,038.00	2,474.00	1,353.00	7,421.00	14,000.00
....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	75.00	78.00	3,000.00
1	35.00	17.00	.....	100.00	.....	.....	152.00	2,000.00
....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,500.00
14	2,250.00	1,761.00	1,243.00	5,000.00	128,009.00	18,094.00	156,357.00	190,000.00
25	500.00	220.00	450.00	3,250.00	14,162.00	4,075.00	21,257.00	130,000.00
1	50.00	36.00	13.00	246.00	4.00	43.00	392.00	3,500.00
....	40.00	.....	145.00	191.00	.....	.....	376.00	1,000.00
....	.....	4.00	32.00	230.00	.....	40.00	306.00	500.00
....	.....	.....	.....	800.00	.....	400.00	1,200.00	13,750.00
2	310.00	443.00	693.00	1,554.00	350.00	962.00	4,312.00	14,200.00
8	120.00	261.00	272.00	412.00	.....	316.00	1,381.00	6,000.00
....	.....	.....	.....	1,500.00	.....	1,000.00	2,500.00	53,500.00
571	$ 9,317.90	$13,722.00	$ 9,907.00	$47,462.00	$ 216,274.00	$61,152.00	$ 357,044.90	$ 1,383,950.00

year's report.

Sunday School Statistics—Eastern Virginia Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised during Year.
Antioch	J. T. Godwin, Windsor, Va.	16	142	$ 100.00
Barretts	J. G. Hancock, Sebrell, Va.	7	67	50.00
Berea (Nansemond)	W. H. Brinkley, Driver, Va.	10	88	315.00
Berea (Norfolk)	C. M. Curling, Hickory, Va.	12	107	210.00
Burton's Grove	No Report.	...	...	...
Bethlehem	W. B. Byrd, Suffolk, Va.	32	236	345.00
Centerville	G. W. Bain, Disputanta, Va.	11	67	93.00
Christian Temple	F. M. Brewer, Norfolk, Va.	56	720	2,928.00
Cypress Chapel	R. M. Jones, Suffolk, Va.	17	201	619.00
Damascus	J. E. Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C.	7	90	72.00
Dendron	E. T. Atkinson, Dendron, Va.	20	119	262.00
Elm Avenue	R. L. Baker, Portsmouth, Va.	8	144	335.00
Eure	T. A. Eure, Eure, N. C.	9	53	35.00
First (Portsmouth)	H. W. Lee, Portsmouth, Va.	14	212	623.00
First (Norfolk)	T. L. Filcher, Norfolk, Va.	39	277	540.00
First (Richmond)	D. J. Kelley, Richmond, Va.	18	238	981.00
Franklin	L. R. Jones, Franklin, Va.	27	295	865.00
Hobson	T. H. Bain, Hobson, Va.	5	30	35.00
Holland	E. L. Daughtrey, Franklin, Va.	16	241	806.00
Holy Neck	J. E. March, Holland, Va.	13	192	681.00
Hopewell	D. D. Nash, Hopewell, Va.	16	162	436.00
Ivor	B. H. Lane, Ivor, Va.	8	37	52.00
Isle of Wight	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va.	12	93	95.00
Johnson's Grove	H. R. Joyner, Sedley, Va.	9	106	32.00
Liberty Spring	I. T. Byrd, Holland, Va.	13	192	200.00
Mt. Carmel	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va.	24	172	308.00
Mt. Zion	R. M. Matthews, Eclipse, Va.	12	67	74.00
New Lebanon	Ollie V. Cockes, Elberon, Va.	13	50	97.00
Newport News	R. C. Jarrett, Newport News, Va.	30	300	844.00
Oak Grove	No Report.	...	...	...
Oakland	W. K. Wagner, Suffolk, Va.	13	235	300.00
Ocean View	J. Stagg, Ocean View, Va.	10	89	288.00
Old Zion	C. C. Etheredge, Norfolk, Va.	15	348	350.00
Rosemont	H. R. Morrison, Norfolk, Va.	26	292	1,554.00
St. Paul's	No Report.	...	...	...
Sarem	No School	...	...	...
Suffolk	W. S. Beamon, Suffolk, Va.	57	769	1,780.00
Spring Hill	J. J. Faison, Waverly, Va.	7	66	56.00
South Norfolk	B. F. Meginley, South Norfolk, Va.	40	419	1,400.00
St. Luke's	Ed. Fisher, Dover, Del.	6	20	12.00
Union (Southampton)	R. H. Joyner, Franklin, Va.	8	88	76.00
Union (Surry)	R. P. Cox, Dendron, Va.	7	40	56.00
Wakefield	No Report.	...	...	...
Waverly	J. F. West, Waverly, Va.	20	221	618.00
Windsor	L. Bailey, Windsor, Va.	15	162	324.00
Webster	No Report.	...	...	...
Totals		696	7,433	$18,837.00

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Third Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and Third Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met with the Ingram Christian Church, Halifax County, Va., on November 13, 1928, and was called to order by the President, Dr. C. H. Rowland.

Devotional services were conducted by Dr. P. H. Fleming.

The roll of ministers and Churches was called and a quorum found present. The complete enrollment for the session follows:

ENROLLMENT.

Ministers—Revs. W. S. Alexander, J. O. Atkinson, S. A. Bennett, J. S. Carden, G. C. Crutchfield, H. E. Crutchfield, T. B. Dawson, J. H. Dollar, P. H. Fleming, Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, P. T. Klapp, J. W. Knight, J. E. McCauley, C. E. Newman, J. W. Patton, C. H. Rowland, R. A. Whitten, T. F. Wright.

Licentiates—S. E. Madren, H. G. Robertson, I. T. Underwood.

Churches and Delegates.

Apple's Chapel—By letter.
Belew Creek—By letter.
Berea—C. L. Barker.
Bethel—W. L. Miles, J. H. King.
Bethlehem—Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gilliam, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Iseley.
Concord—By letter.
Danville—P. H. Ricketts, Mrs. A. J. Allen.
Durham—Dr. W. H. Boone, W. P. Perry, Mrs. J. P. Avent.
Elk Spur—By letter.
Elon College—Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Amick, C. D. Johnston, Mrs. J. P. Barrett, Mrs. J. W. Patton, Mrs. W. A. Harper.
Greensboro, First Church—Mrs. J. R. Foster, W. B. Truitt, H. V. Simpson, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. Grace E. Stewart.
Greensboro, Palm Street—By letter.
Happy Home—J. H. Richmond, Mrs. Willie Sparks, Mrs. Arthur Powell.
Haw River—W. E. Cook.
Hebron—Willie Williamson, H. W. Williamson.
Hines Chapel—By letter.
Hopedale—By letter.

Howard's Chapel—J. C. Madison.
Ingram—Dr. S. T. A. Kent, W. C. Dunn.
Kallam Grove—J. W. Wilson, J. H. McBride.
Lebanon—H. G. Earp.
Liberty—Ed Dixon, Mrs. E. T. Dixon, J. H. Bray.
Long's Chapel—G. L. King.
Lynchburg—W. T. Dunn.
Monticello—Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Rudd, Mrs. W. R. McKinney.
Mt. Bethel—T. R. Friddle.
Mt. Zion—Gattis Carden, Worth Lynch.
New Hope—By letter.
New Lebanon—Grady Barnham, Miss Stella Sharpe.
Pleasant Grove—Mrs. D. J. Sipe, C. D. S. Farmer.
Pleasant Ridge—C. C. Huff, O. D. Nelson, R. Pegram.
Reidsville—Eddie Chilton, E. L. Andrews, Mrs. E. S. Chilton, Mrs. B. W. Fields, Mrs. D. E. Mitchell.
Rocky Ford—By letter.
Salem Chapel—Mrs. A. F. Marshall, Miss Jonie Marshall.
Shallow Ford—By letter.
Union (N. C.)—By letter.
Union (Va.)—J. W. Winfree, D. F. Goode, James E. Goode, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Murray.

Welcome address, Dr. S. T. A. Kent.

Response, Rev. R. A. Whitten.

The Program Committee submitted the printed program as the official order of business for the occasion. On motion, the program was adopted subject to such changes as Conference might vote.

The President appointed the following special committees:

Press—Stanley C. Harrell, S. A. Bennett.
Auditing—C. D. Johnston, P. H. Fleming.
Resolutions—W. S. Alexander, R. A. Whitten, G. C. Crutchfield.
Collectors—H. V. Simpson, W. E. Cook.
Place of Meeting—T. F. Wright, J. S. Carden.
Nominations—J. O. Atkinson, C. E. Newman, J. W. Knight.
Memoirs—W. M. Jay, P. T. Klapp, T. C. Amick, J. W. Patton.

The report of Treasurer H. C. Simpson was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

By motion, Rev. C. T. Rogers, of the Methodist Church; Dr. T. S. Wilson, of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Mr. Hardcastle, of the Baptist Church, and Rev. B. J. Earp, Rev. J. H. Dollar, Miss Pattie Coghill, Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Dr. G. O. Lankford, Rev. J. L. Foster, Mr. J. M. Darden, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davis, of the Christian Church, from other Conferences, were presented to Conference and invited to seats as deliberative members.

Rev. B. J. Earp brought fraternal greetings from the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference.

Mr. C. D. Johnston, circulation manager of *The Christian Sun*, presented plans for increasing circulation.

Dr. C. H. Rowland delivered the annual presidential address; subject, "The Church in the Making."

Dr. Rowland conducted the administration of the Lord's Supper.

Benediction by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. J. W. Patton.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND C. E.

Your committee recommends:

First: That pastors and superintendents do all possible to encourage regular Bible reading and study in the homes.

Second: That a greater effort be made to enroll in the Sunday School every prospective member in the community.

Third: That each Sunday School be asked to contribute one offering per month to the Orphanage, one to missions, and the fifth Sunday's offering once per quarter to the college.

Fourth: That a Christian Endeavor Society or a Young People's Missionary Society, or both, be organized in every Church.

Fifth: That each Church make special effort to have strong representation at the Elon Summer Training School.

T. F. WRIGHT,
S. A. BENNETT,
S. E. MADREN,
Committee.

Rev. T. F. Wright spoke of the recommendation concerning Bible reading.

Rev. S. E. Madren delivered an address on "Christian Endeavor Work."

Mr. W. B. Truitt addressed the Conference on "Sunday Schools and Citizenship."

Miss Pattie Coghill spoke on "The Spirit of Youth."

On motion, the report was adopted.

Superintendent C. D. Johnston presented the claims of the Orphanage.

The report on moral reform was submitted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

The greatest need of the world today is Jesus. We know the morals of our country are not what they should be. They are at a low ebb. Our modern inventions have helped to make it so. These inventions have brought new problems face to face with the Church. We hear it said that the young people are

not like they used to be. Neither is the home training like it used to be. The home training is too lax.

Long reports on reformation in morals will never produce right living. The work in morals must be constructive. It must be wrought in the home, in child life, in school, and in the Church. Much may be done in a constructive way for the moral uplift of our people. No person is made good by being told he is bad. Much good has already been done for our young people through the various organizations of the Church. Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we study our Bibles more and pray much in secret.
2. That our pastors and Church leaders do all they can to instill high ideals in the hearts and minds of our boys and girls.
3. That the Church realize more fully that it lives among men to serve, and should minister to the whole life.
4. That we, as a Church, live closer to Christ and become more like Him in living, loving and serving.

J. F. APPLE, *Chairman.*

After general discussion of the report, by motion, it was adopted.

The committee to tabulate the Church letters on a chart reported that they did not receive letters in time to prepare the chart as directed.

On motion, Conference adjourned. Benediction, Rev. P. T. Klapp.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Rev. S. A. Bennett delivered the sermon, using as a text, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 o'clock.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. C. E. Newman.

Minutes of previous day's session read and approved.

Moved and carried that this Conference require a bond of $5,000 of the Treasurer-elect, same to be paid for by Conference.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

For Conference officers: Dr. C. H. Rowland, President; Rev. R. A. Whitten, Vice-President; Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary; Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, Assistant Secretary; Dr Waldo W. Boone, Treasurer.

Home Mission Board: W. B. Truitt, Dr. W. S. Alexander, Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Rev. C. E. Newman, Dr. C. H. Rowland, ex-officio.

On motion, the report of the Nominating Committee was adopted and the nominees duly elected to the respective offices.

Moved and carried that a committee of three be appointed to make recommendations concerning the organizing of the men of the Church, report to be made at this sitting of Conference.

The President appointed Dr. S. T. A. Kent, W. T. Dunn, and Rev. T. F. Wright as the Committee on Men's Work.

The Committee on Religious Literature reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Of all books, we most heartily commend a faithful reading and study of the Bible. It is a Book that all should read, and the family use of the Book in the home is hereby encouraged.

Of all religious periodicals, we commend to you first of all your own Church paper. It is the desire of your circulation manager to get *The Christian Sun* into every home of the Convention. That is his slogan, and why should it have to be urged when it is the plain duty of every member to read *The Sun* and keep informed as to what is going on in his Church?

We commend also to you the *Herald of Gospel Liberty,* our denominational paper, the oldest religious journal in the world. Especially do we urge that all pastors, Sunday School officers and teachers, and all leaders in missionary work and Christian Endeavor subscribe for the magazine number of the *Herald,* which is published monthly at Dayton, Ohio, for the price of $1.00 per year. It is a library of information on missions, religious education, Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work you cannot afford to be without.

We heartily commend our own Sunday School literature to our schools, and urge its use in preference to any other.

W. M. JAY,
MRS. GRACE E. STEWART,
Committee.

Address on the report by Dr. W. M. Jay.

By motion, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We recommend that the families of the Christian Church take and read the missionary number of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty.*

And, whereas, the Southern Christian Convention, in its last session, at Richmond, Va., has laid an apportionment on each of the Churches equal to one-third of the pastor's salary for home and foreign missions; therefore, be it resolved, that we insist upon each Church raising not less than one-third of the pastor's salary for missions, and that one-half of that go for foreign missions.

We recommend the following plans to raise the mission quota, one of which should be adopted by each Church:

1. Any Church using the budget system should write into the budget an amount not less than one-third of their pastor's salary, and more if possible.

2. Churches not using the budget system should appoint a mission treasurer, who should at once, with such help as he or she may need, proceed at once to raise said quota.

3. Where neither of the above plans can be worked, that a "Mission Day" at or near Easter be set apart, and that a zealous effort be made to raise the mission quota.

We further recommend that each Sunday School give a foreign mission program and ask for the largest possible offering for missions.

We, your committee, would recommend that this Conference express its sympathy for our Porto Rican brethren in the damage done to their buildings by the recent storm which swept the island; and that we show our sympathy by a liberal offering taken at once to aid in the repairs. The responsibility now upon us should awake us from our slumbers and ease in Zion and cause us to make an effort to meet this responsibility. For this is the love of God, that we do His commandments. And we have to prove our love for God and His kingdom by obeying Him who said, "Go ye into all the world."

P. T. KLAPP,
J. W. PATTON,
Committee.

General discussion led by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

Address: "Women and Missions," Mrs. C. H. Rowland.

Address: "The Southern Christian Convention's Program of Missions," Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Mr. J. M. Darden spoke on the mission program.

Mrs. W. R. Sellars made a report of the woman's work for missions in the Conference.

By vote, the report on foreign missions was adopted.

An offering was taken for reconstruction in Porto Rico. The offering amounted to $78.37.

Benediction by Dr. W. S. Alexander.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M.

A service of worship was conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davis, Mrs. Davis delivering the sermon.

Moved and carried that an offering be taken by which to express our appreciation for the message of Mr. and Mrs. Davis. The offering amounted to $26.66.

Moved and carried that we hear Dr. G. O. Lankford at this time.

Dr. Lankford brought greetings of fellowship from the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, and addressed the Conference relative to men's work.

The Committee on Education reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We commend Elon College to all our people who are contemplating either going to college themselves or as patrons or wards for their patronage. As a Christian college, we should give it our loyal support and seek in every way possible to make it not only a Christian college, but the best Christian college, both for our own sons and daughters and for all who are looking for a distinctively Christian college.

Your committee is unable to tell as to the whereabouts and as to the activities and conduct of Rev. W. W. Skellette, Leaksville, N. C. Since his reception into this Conference he has not had work amongst us, nor has he made a report, so far as our knowledge goes. On this account, we recommend that his ordination be canceled and that his name be dropped from our list of elders.

Licentiates I. T. Underwood and R. H. Coble made their annual report to the committee in writing, with the request that they be continued as licentiates and that they were doing some work and would be pleased to serve as pastor at any point desiring their services. We recommend that they be continued as licentiates.

Licentiate G. D. Underhill, of the Albany, N. Y., Christian Church, was licensed by this body at the request of his Church one year ago. He is in the senior class at Elon College and has given a good account of himself and services the past year. He is ready for Church work anywhere within his reach while a student at the college, and we can recommend him as worthy and qualified for Church work as a licentiate.

Licentiate H. George Robertson, who one year ago became a licentiate of this Conference, has rendered faithful services as pastor of our Lynchburg, Va., Church the past year, but being in his senior year at Elon College, has resigned the work at Lynchburg and accepts some work more accessible, and is open for service if the same is demanded of him at other Churches. He requests a loan of $250, and we recommend the same to the favorable consideration of the Committee on Loans.

Licentiate S. E. Madren is in his senior year at Elon College. He has served as our pastor at Elk Spur and Rocky Ford, in Carroll County, Va., the past year very acceptably, and has done a good work and is appreciated by the people of the Churches he served. He is to continue this work. We recommend that he be continued as a licentiate of this Conference. He requests a loan of $250.00, and we recommend same to the favorable consideration of the Committee on Loans.

We recommend a letter of transfer from this Conference to the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference of Rev. J. E. McCauley, and that this letter of transfer be drawn by the Secretary of our Conference and sent to Dr. I. W. Johnson, Suffolk, Va., Secretary of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

A letter of transfer comes to us from the Alabama Christian Conference, requesting that we receive Rev. J. H. Dollar as a member of this Conference. We recommend that the same be accepted, and that Bro. Dollar be enrolled as a member of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

Bro. Sheldon Brady, who was admitted to the biblical class one year ago, reported in writing that he had pursued his studies and work the past year. He still feels that God has definitely called him to the ministry. He desires to continue another year as a member of the biblical class, and we so recommend.

J. O. ATKINSON,
P. H. FLEMING,
W. S. ALEXANDER,
Committee.

Address: "Christian Education," Dr. T. C. Amick.

On motion, the report on education was adopted.

Mr. J. M. Darden spoke of the Orphanage work.

The Committee on Stewardship reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

We recommend:

(1) That our ministers not only preach occasional sermons on stewardship, but that they shape all their messages in the light of stewardship principles.

(2) That those who are responsible for making programs for Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Societies provide for regular and systematic instruction in stewardship.

(3) That since November and December are the months for stressing stewardship in the Church calendar, we urge all our pastors to put on some kind of an educational program in their Churches during these months, using some of the many books recommended by our Stewardship Secretary.

H. E. CRUTCHFIELD,
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
J. O. ATKINSON,
R. A. WHITTEN,
Committee.

Address on "Stewardship," by Dr. W. S. Alexander.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Stewardship was adopted.

The claims of the Christian Missionary Association were presented by Dr. W. M. Jay.

Moved and carried that we adjourn, and that the remainder of the afternoon program follow immediately after the reading of the ministerial letters tomorrow morning.

Benediction by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The sermon of the evening was by Rev. R. A. Whitten, who used as his subject, "The Perfect Law of Liberty."

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 A. M.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. J. S. Carden.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and adopted.

Report of the ministers as to their pastoral labors were read before the Conference.

The Home Mission Board reported as follows:

REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD.

Since many Churches in our Conference, able to support a more intensive program of Christian service, have but quarter-time work, we urge such Churches to assume a responsibility for service commensurate with their ability, going to half-time work, thus making fullest use of available leadership and accomplishing a greater service for the kingdom of our Lord and Master.

Our committee has considered the requests made of it for financial aid. We recommend that the President and Secretary of this Conference be authorized to execute the necessary papers in order that the Danville Christian Church may borrow a sum not to exceed $600.00 to take care of present obligations.

W. B. TRUITT,
W. S. ALEXANDER,
W. M. JAY,
Committee.

By motion, the report of the Home Mission Board was adopted.

The Committee on Superannuation reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

We recommend a continuation of help the coming year to Mrs. L. I. Cox, Mrs. C. C. Peel, Mrs. W. S. Long, Mrs. J. W. Holt, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Mrs. J. A. Ledbetter.

We approve the action taken by the Southern Christian Convention last May, looking to the establishment of an endowment fund for aged ministers and their widows, by asking each minister of the Conference for $5.00 annually, and a like amount from lay members of each Church, this to be sent up to the annual Conference in the future.

J. C. MCADAMS,
C. D. JOHNSTON,
W. E. COOK,
Committee.

By motion, the report of the Committee on Superannuation was adopted.

The Collectors reported as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTORS.

We, your Collectors, submit the following report:

Thirty-five out of thirty-seven Churches have sent in remittances for Conference apportionments, amounting to $4,338.07.

H. V. SIMPSON,
W. E. COOK,
Collectors.

On motion, the report of Collectors was adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Be it resolved:

(1) That we, by a rising vote, express our sincere thanks to the members of this local Church and to the members of sister Churches who have so graciously assisted this Church in the royal entertainment given this Conference in its 103rd annual session.

(2) That we commend the Program Committee for the very helpful program arranged, and all those upon whom responsibility was placed for their faithfulness in performing assigned duties.

(3) That we recognize the fine Christian spirit which has prevailed throughout this session of our Conference.

(4) That we express our genuine appreciation of the faithful services rendered by the officials of our Conference.

(5) That this Conference go on record as favoring the formation of pastorates within the Conference bounds, wherever such Churches can be suitably grouped, and that a committee of three be appointed by the President, to make a study of such group arrangements and report at the next annual session of Conference.

(6) That as the Conference now in session, we urge our Churches to raise the entire Conference apportionment for next year, and that we urge our pastors to do all they can to see that this fund is brought up to Conference.

W. S. ALEXANDER,
G. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
R. A. WHITTEN,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The President appointed W. S. Alexander, G. C. Crutchfield and R. A. Whitten as a committee on grouping of Churches into pastorates.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the report and vouchers of H. C. Simpson, Treasurer, but for lack of some data with reference to his account, which we do not have, and which will be necessary for us to have to make a final settlement with the outgoing Treasurer, in order that the books may be turned over to the new Treasurer, your committee asks for further time and to be allowed to make our final report to the Executive Committee of the Conference for their consideration and approval when our work is finished.

P. H. FLEMING,
CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the report of the Auditing Committee be received and the committee continued, as suggested.

By motion, it was unanimously decided to hold the next session of Conference with Union Christian Church, Virgilina, Va.

The Committee on Men's Work reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEN'S WORK.

We recommend that this Conference approve the action of the Southern Christian Convention with reference to organizing the men of the Church for more definite and vital Christian service; and that we endorse the purpose and method of organization as outlined by the Convention, and commend the same to the favorable consideration of our Churches and Church leaders. (For the details of the proposed organization, see the report of the Special Committee on Men's Work on pages 47, 48, 49 of the Convention Proceedings.)

We recommend that this Conference elect some one whose duty it shall be to stimulate interest in organizing our men in the local Churches and to advise with Churches which contemplate organizing.

S. T. A. KENT,
T. F. WRIGHT,
W. T. DUNN,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Men's Work was adopted.

Dr. W. M. Jay was elected Conference representative on men's work.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

Executive—C. H. Rowland, Stanley C. Harrell, R. A. Whitten.
Education—J. O. Atkinson, P. H. Fleming, J. U. Newman, W. S. Alexander.
Foreign Missions—P. T. Klapp, J. W. Patton, C. E. Newman, Mrs. Grace E. Stewart.
Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—T. F. Wright, S. A. Bennett, S. E. Madren, W. T. Dunn.
Moral Reform—G. C. Crutchfield, J. F. Apple, J. W. Knight, W. E. Cook, O. D. Nelson.
Religious Literature—W. M. Jay, J. H. Dollar, L. L. Wyrick, Mrs. J. W. Patton.
Stewardship—Mrs. C. H. Rowland, H. E. Crutchfield, J. S. Carden, Dr. S. T. A. Kent.
Superannuation—C. D. Johnston, H. V. Simpson, C. D. S. Farmer.
Apportionment—W. A. Harper, J. C. McAdams, W. B. Truitt.
Program—C. H. Rowland, Stanley C. Harrell, C. E. Newman.

The Apportionment Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

The Southern Christian Convention, in its Richmond session this past spring, made certain fundamnetal changes in the plan of financing our denominational enterprises. The Convention requests the Conference, beginning with this fall, to send all money that goes to it in lump sum, the distribution to be made by the Finance Board of the Convention. (For complete details of the Convention's program of finance, see the report of Board of Polity and Finance, pages 6, 7, 8 of the Convention Proceedings.)

We recommend the following Conference apportionments for the Churches of this Conference for the year 1928-29:

Apple's Chapel	$ 415.00	Kallam Grove	45.00
Belew Creek	185.00	Lebanon	370.00
Berea	165.00	Liberty, Va.	110.00
Bethel	150.00	Lynchburg, Va.	45.00
Bethlehem	415.00	Long's Chapel	140.00
Concord	75.00	Monticello	85.00
Danville, Va.	185.00	Mt. Bethel	165.00
Durham	650.00	Mt. Zion	95.00
Elk Spur	20.00	New Hope	45.00
Elon College	650.00	New Lebanon	205.00
Greensboro, First Church	650.00	Pleasant Grove, Va.	555.00
Greensboro, Palm Street	165.00	Pleasant Ridge	130.00
Happy Home	185.00	Reidsville	110.00
Haw River	220.00	Rocky Ford	20.00
Hebron, Va.	240.00	Salem Chapel	120.00
Hines Chapel	305.00	Shallow Ford	185.00
Hopedale	45.00	Union, N. C.	415.00
Howard's Chapel	85.00	Union, Va.	325.00
Ingram, Va.	280.00		
		Total	$8,250.00

We recommend the following appropriations from the funds coming to the Conference this year:

For ministerial education	$125.00
For Christian education	150.00
For the Conference fund	225.00
Total	$500.00

When this amount has been deducted from the receipts at this Conference, we recommend that the Secretary be authorized to draw a draft on the Treasurer for the remainder in favor of the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, as requested by the recent session of the Southern Christian Convention.

J. O. ATKINSON,
W. M. JAY,
W. B. TRUITT,
Committee.

By motion, the report of the Apportionment Committee was adopted.

Moved and carried that the bill of $5.20 for programs be paid.

Moved and carried that the Conference pay $25.00 to the Secretary for his work.

Moved and carried that the Conference have the minutes of this session printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, and that the Conference purchase 200 capies for pro rata distribution among the Churches.

Moved and carried that this Conference memorialize the Board of Publications of the Southern Christian Convention to sign such contract for printing the ANNUALS as will insure prompt delivery of same.

The minutes of today's session were read and approved.

Moved and carried that the Conference adjourn, to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1929, with the Union Christian Church, Virgilina, Va.

Closing prayer and benediction by Dr. C. H. Rowland.

C. H. ROWLAND, *President.*
STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

W. S. Alexander—Church: Elon College. Sermons, 62; addresses, 4; conversions, 4; baptism, 1; members received, 7; pastoral visits, 300; marriage, 1; funeral, 1. Salary, $2,500.

J. F. Apple—Churches: Bethlehem, Bethel and Hopedale. Sermons, 65; conversions, 48; baptisms, 16; members received, 17; pastoral visits, 101; marriages, 3; funerals, 9. Salary, $559.86.

J. O. Atkinson—Mission Secretary, S. C. C. Sermons, 30; addresses, 25; marriages, 2; funerals, 2.

S. A. Bennett—Professor in Elon College.

J. S. Carden—Churches: Amelia, Morrisville, Mt. Pleasant, Antioch. Sermons, 90; baptisms, 16; members received, 20; pastoral visits, 100; funerals, 7. Salary, $720.

G. C. Crutchfield—Churches: Belew Creek, Berea, Kallam Grove. Sermons, 75; addresses, 5; conversions, 30; baptism, 1; member received, 1; pastoral visits, 800; marriages, 2; funerals, 3. Salary, $937.

H. E. Crutchfield—Churches: Liberty (Vance), Mt. Zion, Mt. Gilead. Sermons, 94; addresses, 6; baptisms, 5; members received, 5; pastoral visits, 400; marriage, 1; funerals, 4. Salary, $1,050.

T. B. Dawson—No charge. Sermons, 2.

J. H. Dollar—Received to membership at present session.

P. H. Fleming—Churches: Union (A.), Long's Chapel, Haw River. Sermons, 76; conversions, 26; baptisms, 23; members received, 33; pastoral visits, 192; marriages, 7; funerals, 19. Salary, $963.

S. C. Harrell—Churches: Durham, O'Kelly's Chapel. Sermons, 126; addresses, 5; conversions, 16; members received, 35; pastoral visits, 250; marriages, 3; funerals, 7. Salary, $3,000.

W. M. Jay—Church: Damascus (six months as supply); professor in Elon College. Sermons, 15; addresses, 9; conversions, 14; members received, 7; baptisms, 7.

P. T. Klapp—No charge; assisted Dr. Atkinson. Sermons, 60; baptisms, 5; members received, 5; funerals, 10.

J. W. Knight—Churches: Mt. Bethel, Howard's Chapel, New Lebanon, Grace's Chapel, New Hope. Sermons, 103; addresses, 2; conversions, 35; baptisms, 10; members received, 10; pastoral visits, 90; marriages, 2; funerals, 13. Salary, $800.

D. A. Long—No report.

S. M. Lynam—Church: First Christian, Toronto, Canada. Sermons, 82; addresses, 2; member received, 1; pastoral visits, 200; marriage, 1; funerals, 2. Salary, $1,600.

J. E. McCauley—Transferred to Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

C. E. Newman—Churches: Hebron, Union (Va.), Liberty (Va.), Lebanon. Sermons, 100; conversions, 40; baptisms, 27; members received, 30; pastoral visits, 300; marriages, 6; funerals, 10. Salary, $1,200.

J. U. Newman—Professor in Elon College.

J. W. Patton—Church: Liberty (R) supply; Masonic lecturer. Sermons, 20.

C. H. Rowland—Church: Greensboro, First Church. Sermons, 118; addresses, 10; conversions in charge, 12; baptisms, 9; members received, 15; pastoral visits, 1,050; marriages, 5; funerals, 5. Salary, $3,500.

H. Shelton Smith—No report.

W. T. Scott—Church: Director Y. P. work Union Memorial Church, Glenbrook, Conn.; First Congregational Church, Chickasha, Okla. Sermons, 50; addresses, 5; baptisms, 2; members received, 10; pastoral visits, 150; funeral, 1. Salary, $1,200.

R. A. Whitten—Churches: Reidsville and Monticello, to July 1st. Sermons, 105; conversions, 3; baptisms, 7; members received, 3; marriages, 5; funerals, 12. Salary, $2,000.

T. F. Wright—Churches: Pleasant Grove, Ingram. Sermons, 63; addresses, 24; conversions, 35; baptisms, 31; members received, 38; pastoral visits, 500; marriages, 2; funerals, 8. Salary, $1,005.

L. L. Wyrick—No report.

Licentiates.

R. H. Coble—Church: Carolina Mill Union. Sermons, 10; conversions, 8; pastoral visits, 17.

S. E. Madren—Churches: Elk Spur, Rocky Ford. Sermons, 47; conversions, 10; members received, 6; pastoral visits, 180. Salary, $585.

H. G. Robertson—Church: Lynchburg. Sermons, 95; conversions, 13; baptisms, 13; members received, 23. Salary, $780.

G. D. Underhill—No report.

I. T. Underwood—No charge. Sermons, 10; addresses, 8; funeral, 1.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.
Apple's Chapel	T. J. Green	Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit, N. C.	404	428
Belew Creek	W. C. Wicker	James G. Fulton, Belew Creek, N. C.	124	125
Berea	G. C. Crutchfield	W. S. Simpson, Altamahaw, N. C.	140	133
Bethel	J. F. Apple	Mrs. Ida Pinnix Murray, Corbitt, N. C.	146	146
Bethlehem	J. W. Patton	Clyde Iseley, Burlington, N. C., R. 8	433	440
Concord	L. L. Wyrick	G. G. Anderson, Altamahaw, N. C.	87	90
Danville	M. T. Sorrell	Miss Linner McClanaham, 1349 Myrtle Av.	152	225
Durham	S. C. Harrell	A. T. Crutchfield, 526 Carr St., Durham	372	399
Elk Spur	S. E. Madren	Miss Rose Meredith, Fancy Gap, Va	59	59
Elon College	W. S. Alexander	J. C. McAdams, Elon College, N. C.	372	380
Greensboro First	C. H. Rowland	R. G. Moffitt, 218 E. Bragg St.	427	432
Greensboro Palm St.	M. T. Sorrell	A. H. Hinshaw, Gen. Del., Greensboro	124	113
Happy Home	M. T. Sorrell	Mrs. G. W. Hill, R. 3, Ruffin, N. C.	155	155
Haw River	P. H. Fleming	Mrs. J. W. Thomas, Haw River, N. C.	170	175
Hebron	C. E. Newman	T. C. Moore, Nelson, Va.	124	125
Hines' Chapel	T. J. Green	L. V. Smith, McLeansville, N. C.	218	223
Hopedale	J. F. Apple	R. H. Coble, R. 5, Burlington, N. C.	74	74
Howard's Chapel	J. W. Knight	W. B. Madison, Wentworth, N. C.	56	70
Ingram	T. F. Wright	Miss Nannie Sue Dunn, Paces, Va.	151	137
Kallam Grove		Miss Minnie Belle Wilson, Madison, N. C.	32	28
Lebanon	C. E. Newman	T. J. Earp, Milton, N. C.	117	120
Liberty	C. E. Newman	B. E. Bray, Nathalie, Va.	140	145
Long's Chapel	P. H. Fleming	J. Walter Johnston, R. 5, Burlington	143	150
Lynchburg		John Evers, R. 2, Lynchburg, Va.	82	99
Monticello	M. T. Sorrell	Miss Russell McKinney, Brown Summit	54	57
Mt. Bethel	J. W. Knight	Miss Clara Moricle, Summerfield, N. C.	96	77
Mt. Zion	H. E. Crutchfield	G. F. Carden, R. 3, Burlington, N. C.	98	96
New Hope	J. W. Knight	J. A. Middleton, Stokesdale, N. C.	16	21
New Lebanon	J. W. Knight	Miss Carrie Sharpe, Summerfiled, N. C.	120	121
Pleasant Grove	T. F. Wright	Mrs. D. J. Sipe, News Ferry, Va.	358	376
Pleasant Ridge	W. C. Wicker	O. D. Nelson, Box 1080, Greensboro, N. C.	73	81
Reidsville	J. H. Dollar	Mrs. Pattie Stanfield, Reidsville, N. C.	240	231
Rocky Ford	S. E. Madren	Mrs. Flora McCrary, Cana, Va.	45	49
Salem Chapel	J. L. Foster	Miss Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C.	129	129
Shallow Ford	T. J. Green	W. D. Walker, R. 4, Burlington, N. C.	143	161
Union (N. C.)	P. H. Fleming	No Report	290	.....
Union (Va.)	C. E. Newman	J. R. Murray, Virgilina, Va.	339	344
Totals			6,287	6,214

Carolina and Virginia Conference.

Conference Apportionment.	Paid on Conference Apportionment.	Special Mission Offering.	Special Orphanage Offering.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
$ 415.00	$ 73.70	$ 62.37	$ 39.64	$ 7.40	$ 345.58	$ 1,191.00	$ 101.03	$ 1,820.72	$ 12,000
185.00	40.00	40.00	6.25	67.00	600.00	.....	65.00	818.25	1,700
165.00	5.00	25.00	75.00	186.00	275.00	200.00	75.00	841.00	5,000
150.00	100.00	6.65	.....	4.75	200.00	105.00	53.90	470.30	1,700
415.00	219.00	4.25	14.00	.....	300.00	161.74	335.28	1,034.27	5,000
75.00	48.00	12.00	22.00	.....	150.00	62.30	40.17	334.47	800
185.00	25.00	79.83	106.30	129.54	650.00	3,300.00	286.20	4,576.87	8,400
650.00	650.00	936.85	543.61	617 65	3,000.00	632.56	1,480.32	7,860.99	57,500
20.00	10.00	2.00	7.00	6.05	.....	2.00	5.00	32.05	3,300
650.00	650.00	650.00	350.00	275.00	1,250.00	664.27	538.37	4,377.64	7,500
650.00	650.00	281.00	363.00	150.00	4,268.34	895.00	6,540.43	13,147.77	51,000
165.00	50.00	66.21	104.77	.....	600.00	550.00	386.89	1,757.87	6,000
185.00	75.00	20.15	26.09	77.00	225.00	.....	60.74	483.98	1,500
220.00	75.00	19.00	.....	.....	262.00	165.58	801.79	1,323.37	4,620
240.00	41.31	.....	30.00	65.00	200.00	.....	240.00	576.31	1,500
305.00	165.00	16.26	21.00	33.63	400.00	.....	50.72	686.61	3,500
45.00	.....	1.72	1.42	.....	.....	.....	35.76	38.90	3,500
85.00	71.00	30.00	15.00	50.00	140.00	15.00	41.40	362.40	1,500
280.00	155.00	67.00	49.00	47.75	400.00	.....	220.00	938.75	2,800
45.00	10.00	.....	4.00	60.00	72.00	.....	.....	146.00	700
370.00	103.00	43.41	80.50	4.25	300.00	62.60	90.68	684.44	2,300
110.00	50.00	9.50	38.86	25.00	200.00	150.00	150.18	623.54	1,350
140.00	43.56	.....	22.40	.....	212.00	.....	42.97	320.93	4,000
45.00	45.00	94.00	56.00	86.00	790.00	486.00	124.00	1,681.00	7,000
85.00	36.00	36.25	16.40	55.50	166.60	82.35	117.00	510.10	4,000
165.00	70.00	6.35	5.00	.....	250.00	.....	40.57	371.92	2,450
95.00	95.00	6.40	53.38	.....	200.00	.....	63.22	418.00	5,000
45.00	15.00	5.00	55.76	.....	45.00	15.00	27.00	162.76	1,500
205.00	130.00	56.25	79.00	75.00	200.00	100.00	196.49	836.84	2,250
555.00	150.00	71.00	46.00	56.00	600.00	136.00	272.00	1,330.00	4,000
130.00	70.00	68.63	43.74	.....	200.00	275.00	81.83	739.20	1,300
110.00	110.00	166.61	126.00	248.00	1,000.00	.....	1,277.00	2,927.61	24,000
20.00	10.00	10.56	9.60	5.00	.....	.....	12.50	47.66	3,000
120.00	42.50	19.00	5.26	16.00	300.00	100.00	40.41	523.17	2,000
185.00	80.00	20.89	34.05	.....	250.00	7.38	82.57	474.89	2,500
415.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
325.00	175.00	15.60	72.75	9.93	500.00	8,726.00	629.68	10,128.96	12,500
$ 8,250.00	$ 4,338.07	$ 2,949.84	$ 2,522.78	$ 2,357.45	$18,551.52	$18,083.78	$14,606.10	$63,409.54	$258,670

Sunday School Statistics—N. C. and Va. Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised during Year.
Apple's Chapel	J. A. Cook, Brown Summit, N. C	12	.....	.....
Belew Creek	J. W. Strader, Belew Creek, N. C	11	128	$ 40.00
Berea	W. L. Iseley, R. 1, Elon College, N. C	11	152	126.00
Bethel	M. S. Walker, Union Ridge, N. C	8	56	16.90
Bethlehem	C. H. Sutton, R. 1, Altamahaw, N. C	16	156	154.78
Concord	W. L. Miles, R. 2, Altamahaw, N. C	6	36	7.92
Danville	J. E. Jones, 1421 Washington St	11	356	58.00
Durham	R. J. Kernodle, 1013 Watts St., Durham	29	343	1,054.62
Elk Spur	Oscar Edwards, R. 2, Fancy Gap, Va	3	40	15.00
Elon College	C. M. Cannon, Elon College, N. C	32	248	175.00
Greensboro First	F. F. Myrick, 120 Tate St., Greensboro	28	363	1,143.31
Greensboro Palm Street	J. M. Crabtree, Revolution Branch	21	236	334.57
Happy Home	.....	7	.....	42.74
Haw River	D. F. Sharpe, Haw River, N. C	16	175	321.99
Hebron	Presley Williamson, R. 2, Nelson, Va	8	60	20.00
Hines' Chapel	R. T. Iseley, McLeansville, N. C	6	75	50.72
Hopedale	C. R. Summer, R. 5, Burlington, N. C	9	198	61.30
Howard's Chapel	J. C. Madison, Wentworth, N. C	6	43	14.40
Ingram	Joe Landrum, Vernon Hill, Va	7	96	100.00
Kallam Grove	J. F. Faulks, Madison, N. C	6	50	20.00
Lebanon	H. G. Earp, Milton, N. C	7	50	104.63
Liberty	J. B. Whitt, Nathalie, Va	12	136	106.96
Long's Chapel	R. W. Barnette, R. 1, Mebane, N. C	12	152	63.69
Lynchburg	W. T. Dunn, Kemper St. Sta., L'burg	13	113	252.00
Monticello	L. H. Floyd, Brown Summit, N. C	9	71	75.00
Mt. Bethel	J. M. Simpson, Summerfield, N. C	5	55	51.92
Mt. Zion	G. F. Carden, R. 3, Burlington, N. C	5	55	43.00
New Hope	Mrs. Jno. White, Stokesdale, N. C	4	24	15.00
New Lebanon	W. T. Moore, Wentworth, N. C	10	120	166.84
Pleasant Grove	G. C. Talbert, News Ferry, Va	8	.....	.....
Pleasant Ridge	A. B. McFarland, Guilford College	8	100	68.22
Reidsville	T. J. Mitchell, Reidsville, N. C	22	282	374.00
Rocky Ford	Ben Rigney, Cana, Va	7	45	22.10
Salem Chapel	Abe J. Gerry, Walnut Cove, N. C	7	70	32.67
Shallow Ford	R. B. Hensley, R. 1, Elon College	....	160	164.63
Union (N. C.)	No Report	....	.....	.....
Union (Va.)	J. R. Murray, Virgilina, Va	8	95	136.12
Totals	.....	390	4,339	$ 5,434.03

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Third Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference

FULLER'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH, VANCE CO., HENDERSON, N. C.
NOVEMBER 26-28, 1928.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference met in annual session with the Church at Fullers, Vance County, on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, November 26, 1928, and was called to order by George T. Whitaker, President.

Song service, led by Geo. M. McCullers, was conducted. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. M. T. Sorrell.

The roll of ministers was called and the following were present:

Ministers—Revs. B. J. Howard, J. Lee Johnson, M. T. Sorrell, and D. M. Spence.
Licentiates—R. Lee House and D. T. McKenney.

Roll of Churches and Delegates.

Amelia—
Antioch—S. B. Spragins, H. L. Wall, Mrs. J. W. Reed.
Auburn—E. J. Poole, Mrs. E. J. Poole.
Bethel—
Bethlehem—
Beulah—A. W. Watkins, J. R. Perry, J. B. Edwards.
Cary—
Catawba Springs—Estelle Murray, John Murray, and Ruth Buchanan.
Chapel Hill—Grady H. Leonard and Miss Nell Pickard.
Christian Chapel—
Christian Light—
Clayton—
Damascus—D. A. McLennan and Miss Pearl McLennan.
Ebenezer—
Franklinton—
Fuller's—W. S. Briggs.
Good Hope—
Hayes Chapel—Lee Hatcher and Mrs. W. B. Jones.
Henderson—W. A. Newman and Mrs. W. M. Ellis.
Lee Chapel—
Lebanon—
Liberty—Geo. W. Macon, Mrs. Geo. W. Macon and Lizzie Roberts.
Martha Chapel—W. C. Morgan.

Mebane—Miss Lillie Fowler and Miss Della Fowler.
Moore Union—
Morrisville—
Mt. Auburn—J. A. Kimball, T. A. Tucker, J. F. Hilliard and Mrs. W. O. Tanner.
Mt. Carmel—B. F. Morton and W. B. Wright.
Mt. Hermon—
New Elam—
New Hill—
New Hope—W. R. Rogers, J. B. King, Mrs. N. M. Rogers and Mrs. E. B. King.
Oak Level—W. H. Hudson.
O'Kelly's Chapel—
Piney Plains—H. G. Franklin, Mrs. C. W. Franklin.
Pleasant Hill—E. H. Dixon and J. B. Barbour.
Pleasant Union—W. T. Spence, D. T. McKinney, Mrs. E. M. Wilder, Miss Iola Upchurch and Walter Upchurch.
Plymouth—E. A. Johnson, B. G. Partin.
Pope's Chapel—A. M. House and J. W. Smith.
United Church—L. L. Vaughan, C. H. Stephenson, Mrs. J. W. Poole.
Sanford—W. H. Wicker and J. I. Glisson.
Shallow Well—
Six Forks—
Turner's Chapel—
Wake Chapel—W. J. Ballentine, Mrs. A. F. Smith, Ruth Johnson.
Wentworth—W. M. Rowland.
Youngsville—John Edwards.

There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

On motion, the program prepared by the committee was adopted as the order of business, except to change items of report on religious literature and ministerial and Church letters to the place of foreign missions, and foreign missions report to that of religious literature.

On motion, Bro. and Sister Sam Davis were given a place on the Conference program.

The address of welcome was made by the pastor, Rev. D. M. Spence.

The response to the address of welcome was made by Rev. Robert Lee House.

On motion, Revs. J. O. Atkinson and R. A. Whitten and Superintendent C. D. Johnston and others were invited to seats as deliberative members of Conference and accorded the courtesies of the floor.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Nothing has claimed the attention of your Executive Committee since the last session of Conference. We are able to report that the will of Conference has been carried out in the matter of ordaining Rev. D. M. Spence, pastor of

Henderson Church. The ordination service was conducted the second Sunday night in January, 1928, at Henderson Christian Church by the Committee on Education.

Respectfully,

GEO. T. WHITAKER.

The report was discussed by Dr. J. O. Atkinson and adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1927.			
Nov. 1.	Balance on hand		$ 38.74
	Collections at Conference		2,365.18
			$2,403.92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Dec. 20.	By Rev. W. C. Wicker, Sec., salary	$ 25.00	
	By Rev. W. C. Wicker, Sec., expense	2.50	
29.	Central Publishing Co., programs	5.20	
30.	Rev. W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C.:		
	Foreign mission fund C	450.00	
	College fund	450.00	
	Convention mission fund	450.00	
	Superannuated fund	120.00	
	Convention fund	120.00	
	Ministerial education fund	100.00	
	Christian education fund	100.00	
1928.			
Jan. 3.	Mrs. J. O. Fowler, Treas. Mebane Church	50.00	
May 15.	Central Publishing Co., ANNUALS	100.00	
June 12.	Rev. J. E. Franks, Antioch	50.00	
	Rev. J. E. Franks, Bethlehem	37.50	
July 5.	Rev. J. Lee Johnson, ordination certificates	1.00	
Nov. 25.	Balance on hand	342.72	
			$2,403.92

Report referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

The recognition of our responsibility to God as stewards of everything we are and have—life, time, talent, possessions—is vital in living a Christian life.

We realize our need of a deeper conception of what stewardship means. It is our obligation to God as Creator, Owner and Giver of everything we possess. Whom do we owe first of all? It is God that giveth thee power to gain wealth.

We as stewards are using a trust fund for luxuries. This is a money-mad and pleasure-crazed age. Do you know that we spend twenty-nine times as much for luxuries as we do for Christ and His Church? We need to realize that there is something radically wrong.

Two questions that often confront us are: How can the Church be supported? How much do I owe God?

"Honor the Lord with the first fruits of thine increase, and present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Here is the key to the problem. Finally a good steward is one that doeth the will of God.

That our brotherhood may get a clear conception of the meaning and importance of stewardship in their personal lives, we recommend:

1. That our preachers not only occasionally, but continually preach and teach stewardship.

2. That this important subject be given its proper recognition in the thought, prayer and program of our daily lives. Giving it the same consideration we do other themes, such as missions, evangelism and Christian education.

3. That we study anew the biblical teachings of stewardship.

4. That we read good books on stewardship and use programs in our young people's societies that will promote the practice of stewardship in the home and Church.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. J. NEWTON,
W. R. RODGERS,
Committee.

Vacancies were filled on committees. Rev. M. T. Sorrell was placed on the Educational Committee in lieu of Rev. R. L. Williamson.

On motion, offered by Rev. J. Lee Johnson, the time for the annual session of Conference was changed to 10 A. M. Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, providing for Conference to continue only two days.

It was announced that Dr. J. O. Atkinson would preach at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Song service was conducted by Geo. M. McCullers, and Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M. Benediction by Rev. B. J. Howard.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by Geo. T. Whitaker, President, at 9:40 A. M. Song service was conducted by Geo. M. McCullers, and the devotional service was led by Rev. J. E. Franks; theme: "Christian Fellowship."

The minutes of previous day were read and approved. The following visitors were recognized: Revs. K. L. Whittington, E. M. Carter, J. L. Foster, S. A. Bennett, J. E. Kirbye, and Dr. W. A. Harper, A. L. Hook, and J. M. Darden.

Delegates were enrolled for several Churches.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

For the building of Christ's kingdom in the world, we wish to urge:

1. A deeper piety and reverence for spiritual values in the individual and home life.

2. That the study of the Bible be given the first place it deserves, as the Word of God.

3. That we do all in our power to keep the ten commandments and the laws of our land.

4. That all departments of our Church organizations be supported loyally with our time and means; especially do we urge that every family in the Christian Church take and read *The Christian Sun.*

5. That stewardship of life and possessions be put into practice as far as possible and be taught wherever we can, for herein lies a great strength or weakness of the Church of the future.

6. That you taste not, touch not, handle not that which is calculated to dethrone reason and weaken you both physically and spiritually.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS MARGARET ALSTON,
J. A. KIMBALL,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We were not able to send out a missionary to, nor enlarge the work in, Porto Rico or Japan last year because of a lack of funds. In fact, the work laid out in the foreign field a year ago had to be curtailed, and all work not absolutely essential had to be stopped last spring because of a decreased income and insufficient funds. This year, after the askings from Japan and Porto Rico had been sent in, and reduced to a minimum, our Foreign Board was forced to further curtail appropriations to the extent of $10,000. These things ought not so to be, and your committee believes they can be remedied. We believe our people will give more to missions when they realize the need on the field and when they know just how much they are giving to missions and when.

The Southern Convention, in its last session, we believe adopted a plan whereby this can be done. The Convention decided that hereafter all funds given to Convention missions, home and foreign, should be sent in to and for missions, and not as any part of Conference apportionments. And the amount the Convention called upon us to raise this year is $45,000, which, unless otherwise designated, shall go one-half to home and one-half to foreign missions. One man of us has generously agreed to give $5,000 of this amount if the rest of the Convention will contribute $40,000. Of this amount, the women's societies are proposing to raise $12,000. Now, it was found that if the Churches and Sunday Schools would give one-third as much for missions as they pay on pastors' salaries, the amount would be reached.

We recommend:

1. That we approve Convention action in making the appeal direct for missions in the sum of $45,000 and that we endeavor to reach the quota of one-third as much for missions as for pastor's salary.

2. That one or more of three methods be used for raising this quota: (a) Where a Church uses the budget system, that the quota for missions be included in the budget; (b) where the budget is not used, then a canvass of members be made to ascertain how much each will give, and when; (c) when neither of these methods is employed, that the Sunday School be urged to increase its monthly offerings and that the Church, at or about Easter, take an offering to try to raise, in connection with the Sunday School, the entire amount asked.

By employing one or the other of these methods, we believe our people will raise the entire amount asked in each Church. And this would mean a new and brighter day for our mission cause abroad and the cause of the kingdom we seek to build through the Church here at home.

Respectfully submitted,

J. LEE JOHNSON,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Rev. J. Lee Johnson, Rev. M. T. Sorrell, Prof. L. L. Vaughan and adopted.

An address on "Missions" was made by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

We, your Committee on Evangelism, beg to submit the following report:

First: That we live in a great age of material progress, discovery and adventure, and that the atmosphere about us is heavily laden with new thought, theories and ideas. A program of progress and activity has always appealed in a magnetic way to the restless souls of humanity, especially to young people. Therefore, we recommend that an intense evangelistic effort be put forth by the Church, both from the pulpit and the pew.

Second: That there is in evidence today an attitude of carelessness and indifference on the part of the Church towards the great commission of our Lord (Mark 16), "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

We urge, therefore, that we enter wholeheartedly into the plan and purpose of our Lord in the organization of the Church, remembering as we enter that the plan of the Church is entered into, and the purpose of the Church is realized only through the preaching and living of the gospel unto the salvation of souls. "For the gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth" (Rom. 1:16).

Fourth: That we encourage and help, through co-operation, prayer and opportunity, the evangelistic work of Bro. and Sister Sam Davis.

Respectfully submitted,

J. FULLER JOHNSON,
J. A. DENTON,
J. E. FRANKS,
Committee.

Adopted.

The annual address was delivered by the President, Geo. T. Whitaker, on the subject, "Show Thyself a Man," based on 1 Kings 2:2. The address was good and much appreciated.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. M. Carter and Conference adjourned until 12:35 P. M. Benediction by Rev. J. Fuller Johnson.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 1:55 P. M. by the President. Evangelist Sam Davis and wife conducted the religious service. The theme was "The Second Coming of Christ."

On motion, an offering was given to the evangelists to aid them in their work.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND C. E.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies takes pleasure in reporting an increased interest and enthusiasm in our schools and societies, as evidenced by the statistics of our last Convention held at Catawba Springs Church in July.

Out of the forty-nine Sunday Schools in this Conference, nineteen were represented by delegates and five sent in reports, showing a gain of seven schools in attendance and nine of these schools were entitled to be placed on the honor roll. The statistics will show no gain or loss in reporting the number of Christian Endeavor Societies.

Some forward steps were taken, and the Convention voted that a copy of the recommendations adopted be sent to all the schools, so they may benefit thereby.

We recommend:

1. That this Conference endorse the plans and program of our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, whose officers for the coming year are: president, L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C.; executive secretary, H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.; treasurer, C. H. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C. And to pledge its loyalty and support by sending at least two delegates from the Sunday School, and two delegates from the Christian Endeavor Society to our next Convention, which meets the second week in July at Pleasant Union Church, in Harnett County.

2. That every school and Christian Endeavor Society in this Conference give its hearty support to the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention, organized October 25, 1918, whose sole objective is to

build up and maintain the highest degree of Christian character among our young people.

3. That a delegation be sent from every school and society to the Summer School of Methods, held annually at Elon College, and wherever possible, pay their expenses for the entire session.

4. That we request all pastors and Churches of this Conference to co-operate by not putting on any special services during these two weeks, but lend their personal presence and all their influences toward building up and maintaining the good work of our young people in these institutions, and that all pastors, superintendents, officers and teachers be urged to personally attend both sessions.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. STEPHENSON, *Chairman.*

The report was discussed by C. H. Stephenson, L. L. Vaughan and Rev. R. A. Whitten, and adopted.

An address was made by Superintendent C. D. Johnston on "The Christian Orphanage." Bro. J. M. Darden followed Bro. Johnston with a stirring address on the Orphanage.

An address on "Our Church Auxiliaries" was made by Miss Ruth Johnson, and Mrs. L. L. Vaughan spoke on the same subject.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, have examined the books of W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer of this Conference, and found them correct.

We recommend that the Secretary be paid $25 for his services and $7.65 to cover expenses.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. EDWARDS,
J. A. KIMBALL,
J. W. HOUSE,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Whereas, the Southern Christian Convention has asked that we send all money in lump sum to the Convention this year, we endorse this request to the extent of the amount based on percentage as before, but we recommend that the amount based on percentage be retained in the bounds of this Confrence as hitherto.

Mebane asks for twenty-five dollars' appropriation to be used on Church building. We recommend this appropriation.

Antioch asks for one hundred and fifty dollars on pastor's salary for next year. We recommend this appropriation, but that it shall be paid quarterly. We further recommend that the remainder of the money be retained in the treasury for future emergency.

Franklinton Church requests that they be relieved from further obligations to the Conference, and that the Conference take charge of all the Church property and relieve all individuals from further obligations. We recommend this action by Conference.

We find that there is a deed of trust of two thousand dollars on the parsonage, which is a part of the Church property. Five hundred dollars of this has been paid.

In addition to this, three of the members are on a note which involves the deed of trust, from which they wish to be relieved. We recommend that they be relieved.

We recommend that a committee be appointed to act as trustee of this property. Since the parsonage rents for more than enough to meet payments on the deed of trust, we recommend that the property be retained.

Respectfully submitted,

M. T. SORRELL,
W. A. NEWMAN,
Committee.

The report was considered by items. The first and the second items were adopted. The third item relative to the Franklinton Church property was referred to the Executive Committee with plenary power.

On motion, the election of officers was taken up and resulted as follows:

President—W. C. Wicker.
Vice-President—J. Lee Johnson.
Secretary—L. L. Vaughan.
Treasurer—W. J. Ballentine.

On motion, Rev. A. H. Hook was granted a letter of transfer to the Eel River Conference.

Conference adjourned to meet at 7 P. M. Benediction by Rev. J. E. Franks.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference was called to order at 7:10 P. M. Song service was conducted by Geo. M. McCullers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

The Southern Christian Convention, in session at Richmond, Va., in May, 1928, through its Apportionment Committee, apportioned the Eastern North Carolina Conference $2,500 as a Convention fund. The Eastern North Carolina Conference is requesting a Conference fund of $500. Therefore, it is necessary to apportion $3,000 among the forty-eight Churches of this Conference, as follows:

Amelia	$ 40.00	Henderson	100.00
Antioch	65.00	Lebanon	30.00
Auburn	70.00	Lee Chapel	30.00
Bethel	40.00	Liberty	225.00
Bethlehem	30.00	Martha's Chapel	30.00
Beulah	35.00	Mebane	15.00
Caroleigh	20.00	Morrisville	25.00
Cary	25.00	Moore Union	45.00
Catawba Springs	90.00	Mt. Auburn	100.00
Chapel Hill	60.00	Mt. Carmel	50.00
Christian Light	65.00	Mt. Gilead	75.00
Christian Chapel	80.00	Mt. Herman	30.00
Clayton	50.00	New Elam	125.00
Damascus	65.00	New Hill	25.00
Ebenezer	60.00	New Hope	85.00
Franklinton		Oak Level	75.00
Fullers	60.00	O'Kelly's Chapel	40.00
Good Hope	50.00	Piney Plains	75.00
Hayes Chapel	30.00	Pleasant Hill	40.00

Pleasant Union	85.00	Six Forks	50.00
Plymouth	40.00	Turner's Chapel	40.00
Pope's Chapel	60.00	Wake Chapel	160.00
Raleigh	125.00	Wentworth	50.00
Sanford	90.00	Youngsville	35.00
Shallow Well	110.00		
		Total	$3,000.00

We, your committee, recommend that 15 per cent of all Conference funds be retained for Conference missions, and 5 per cent be retained for Conference expenses, and that the remainder be sent to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention. This to apply to Conference funds for 1928 only.

We further recommend that five-sixths of all Conference funds received in 1929 be sent to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, and that one-sixth of all Conference funds be retained by Conference Treasurer as a Conference fund, and that said fund be expended only upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. VAUGHAN,
J. F. HILLIARD,
JOHN MURRAY,
Committee.

Adopted.

The Treasurer reported $1,725.72 collected at Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education is a process of developing the endowments of the individual into harmony with worthy ideals. Some of these endowments are inherited as native instincts, and others are imparted by the divine Spirit through regeneration. Education without regeneration can never become Christian; but education with regeneration and Christ as the ideal and His spirit as the inspiration will result in Christian education if properly directed. Any other theory of Christian education is heresy and should be avoided as such by Christian institutions. The great Teacher said, "Ye must be born again"; and His word is final on regeneration as a prerequisite to Christian education. The education of the unregenerated will result only in the development of unregenerated nature. The stream can never rise higher than its source.

The slogan, "Christian Character First and Always," can be attained only by making Christ and the Christian spirit first, last, and always in the way of living and learning by faculty and students of a Christian institution.

Elon College, through its trustees, faculty and students should always make this ideal real, and thereby merit the patronage, the moral and financial support of the entire Church, and commend itself to multitudes of Christian parents of other faiths as a genuinely Christian college.

The Southern Christian Convention, at its last session, granted the Board of Trustees of Elon College permission within the next three years to enter upon a campaign to raise sufficient money to pay off all indebtedness and to make the endowment of the college a net million dollars. We recommend that this Conference approve the action of the Convention with reference to the campaign, and also approve the action of the Convention in allowing "that the colleges have quarterly Sunday School offerings and access to individuals at any time," and that all fifth Sundays be designated as Elon College days in this Conference.

In obedience to the order of Conference, your committee met in the United Church at Raleigh November 10th for the examination of all candidates for the ministry after having published the time and place of meeting in *The Christian Sun* for several issues.

Licentiate D. T. McKenney reported that he had served no Churches during the year, but had been studying the required studies for ordination, which he had not completed for the final examination. We recommend that he be continued as a licentiate.

Rev. D. M. Spence, as ordered by last Conference, was examined for ordination and passed a satisfactory examination, and was ordained as an elder in the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference.

Rev. Robert Lee House, who was licensed last session of Conference, graduated from Duke University last June and is continuing his studies in that institution as a graduate student. We recommend that he be continued as a licentiate of this Conference.

Samuel B. Wilson, who became a member of the biblical class last session, is a student at Elon College. We recommend that he be continued as a member of the biblical class.

Bro. Jones Lee, of the Caroleigh Christian Church, having been examined for licensure, we recommend that he be licensed to preach.

Bro. Henry C. Hilliard, a ministerial student of this Conference, is continuing his studies at Elon College, in the sophomore class, and is making commendable progress.

Since the committee met in Raleigh, November 10th, we have learned that Bro. J. L. Neice, of Palm Street Church, wishes to enter this Conference as a licentiate. In the absence of the chairman of this committee, we recommend that a hearing be given him by said committee at the earliest possible convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. WICKER,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
M. T. SORRELL,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Rev. R. A. Whitten, Prof. S. A. Bennett, Dr. W. A. Harper, and adopted.

On motion, the address of the President was requested for publication in *The Christian Sun.*

On motion, the minutes of Conference will be published in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, and the usual number of ANNUALS purchased and distributed, as usual.

Dr. J. E. Kirbye, pastor of the United Church, Raleigh, preached the Conference sermon, as provided by the program. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D.

A vote of thanks for the excellent entertainmnet of Conference was extended to the Church and community.

Standing committees for 1929:

Executive—W. C. Wicker, L. L. Vaughan, Ben T. Holden.
Education—J. Lee Johnson, M. T. Sorrell, D. M. Spence.
Home Missions—M. T. Sorrell, K. B. Johnson, W. A. Newman.
Foreign Missions—B. J. Howard, J. E. Franks, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan.
Evangelism—J. Fuller Johnson, M. T. Sorrell, J. A. Denton.
Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—C. H. Stephenson, Miss Ruth Johnson, Miss Pattie Coghill.
Social Service—Robert Lee House, J. A. Kimball, Margaret Alston.
Religious Literature—George T. Whitaker, D. M. Spence, W. H. Hudson.

Stewardship—Charles N. Johnson, W. S. Ayscue, John Murray.
Apportionments—L. L. Vaughan, J. A. Kimball, J. W. House.
Finance—K. B. Johnson, Charles N. Johnson, J. Walker Kelly.
Program—L. L. Vaughan, W. C. Wicker.

On motion, Conference adjourned, to meet on Tuesday after the third Sunday in November, 1929, at 10 A. M., at such place as the Executive Committee may select. Benediction by Rev. D. M. Spence.

GEORGE T. WHITAKER, *President.*
W. C. WICKER, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. C. Cummings—Churches: Cary, Ebenezer, Six Forks. Sermons, 72; conversions, 18; baptism, 1; members received, 5; pastoral visits, several; funerals conducted, 2. Salary, $700.

J. A. Denton—Churches: Auburn, Hayes Chapel, North Clayton, Lee's Chapel, Beulah. Sermons, 138; conversions, 11; baptisms, 11; members received, 19; pastoral visits, 100; funerals conducted, 6. Salary, $650.

J. E. Franks—Churches: Antioch, Bethlehem, Caroleigh, Lebanon, New Hope, Zion. Sermons, 120; special addresses, 6; conversions, 96; baptisms, 30; members received, 45; pastoral visits, 100; funerals conducted, 6. Salary, $900.

B. J. Howard—Churches: Martha's Chapel, Moore's Union, Shallow Well, Turner's Chapel. Sermons, 125; special addresses, 2; baptisms, 18; members received, 20; ceremonies performed, 1; funerals conducted, 14. Salary, $1,480.

J. Fuller Johnson—Churches: Oak Level, Christian Chapel, Mt. Hermon, New Elam, Center Grove, Bethel, New Hill. Sermons, 288; special addresses, 3; conversions, 140; baptisms, 15; members received, 42; decisions for life service, 4; ceremonies performed, 13; funerals conducted, 16. Salary, $1,350.

J. Lee Johnson—Churches: Catawba Springs, Plymouth, Wentworth, Piney Plains, Wake Chapel, Christian Light, Pleasant Union, Pleasant Hill. Sermons, 160; conversions, 40; baptisms, 18; members received, 27; pastoral visits, 100; ceremonies performed, 2; funerals conducted, 12. Salary, $1,750.

M. T. Sorrell—Churches: Third Avenue, Danville; Palm Street, Greensboro. Sermons, 156; special addresses, 25; conversions, 150; baptisms, 50; members received, 115; pastoral visits, 1,000; funerals conducted, 8. Salary, $1,300.

D. M. Spence—Churches: Henderson, Fuller's Chapel. Sermons, 111; special addresses, 10; conversions, 7; baptisms, 5; members received, 10; pastoral visits, 435; ceremonies performed, 2; prayer meetings, 38. Salary, $1,500.

W. C. Wicker—Churches: Mt. Auburn, Graham, Mebane, Pleasant Ridge. Sermons, 80; special addresses, 200; conversions, 42; baptisms, 33; members received, 40; pastoral visits, 200; ceremonies performed, 2; funerals conducted, 6. Salary, $1,145.

R. L. Williamson—Church: Sanford. Sermons, 71; conversions, 7; baptisms, 20; members received, 10; pastoral visits, 385; ceremonies performed, 5; funeral conducted, 1. Salary, $1,375.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.
Amelia	.....	B. H. Phelps, R. 3, Clayton, N. C.	80	80
Antioch	J. E. Franks.	H. L. Wall, R. 3, Littleton, N. C.	135	102
Auburn	J. A. Denton	J. E. Branch, Auburn, N. C.	120	124
Bethel	J. F. Johnson	Mrs. Scott Johnson, New Hill, N. C.	64	64
Bethlehem	J. E. Franks.	Lillian Gray, Littleton, N. C.	37	35
Beulah	J. A. Denton	J. B. Edwards,R. 2, Wake Forest, N. C.	147	116
Caroleigh	J. E. Franks.	B. P. Hardee, R. 3, Raleigh, N. C.	42	42
Cary	J. C. Cummings	M. J. Carlton, Cary, N. C.	22	22
Catawba Springs	J. L. Johnson	B. F. Branch, R. 3, Raleigh, N. C.	199	194
Chapel Hill	B. J. Howard	Albert McCauley, Chapel Hill, N. C.	109	109
Christian Light	J. L. Johnson	E. M. Blanchard, Kipling, N. C.	103	107
Christian Chapel	J. F. Johnson	A. M. Cotton, Merry Oaks, N. C.	164	168
Clayton	J. A. Denton	Harper Burns, Clayton, N. C.	41	41
Damascus	W. M. Jay	Lillian Bowden, Chapel Hill, N. C.	131	102
Franklinton	.....	G. T. Whitaker, Franklinton, N. C.	32	31
Ebenezer	J. C. Cummings	.....	.....	.....
Fullers	D. M. Spence	J. C. Woodlief, Henderson, N. C.	116	109
Good Hope	E. M. Carter	Nola Woodlief, Youngsville, N. C.	95	95
Hayes' Chapel	J. A. Denton	Miss Stella Johnson, Garner, N. C.	54	56
Henderson	D. M. Spence	C. D. Newman, Henderson, N. C.	140	111
Lebanon	J. E. Franks.	Mrs. B. L. Mansfield, R. 2, Sanford, N. C.	38	42
Lee's Chapel	J. A. Denton	J. W. Cashion, Moncure, N. C.	82	82
Liberty	H. E. Crutchfield.	J. D. Newman, R. 6, Henderson, N. C.	371	372
Martha's Chapel	B. J. Howard	Leon Christian, Apex, N. C.	75	75
Mebane	W. C. Wicker	Mrs. J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.	30	36
Morrisville	J. S. Carden	Miss Lessie Pugh, Morrisville, N. C.	29	27
Mt. Auburn	W. C. Wicker	J. F Hilliard, Norlina, N. C.	157	169
Mt. Carmel	E. M. Carter	Miss Eva May, Franklinton, N. C.	114	111
Mt. Gilead	H. E. Crutchfield.	Mrs. L. P. Purdee, Louisvburg, N. C.	50	50
Mt. Hermon	No Report	.....	.....	.....
New Elam	J. F. Johnson	Alice Webster, New Hill, N. C.	285	285
New Hill	J. F. Johnson	Carey Welch, New Hill, N. C.	38	19
New Hope	J. E. Franks.	John Chamblee, Louisburg, N. C.	229	226
Oak Level	J. F. Johnson	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, N. C.	131	134
O'Kelly's	S. C. Harrell.	J. D. Harward, Durham, N. C.	31	29
Piney Plaines	J. L. Johnson	Mrs. D. I. Stephenson, R. 3, Raleigh.	117	114
Pleasant Hill	J. L. Johnson	J. W. Neighbors, Benson, N. C.	107	89
Pleasant Union	J. L. Johnson	W. S. Long, Lillington, N. C.	161	160
Plymouth	J. L. Johnson	B. G. Partin, McCullers, N. C.	112	118
Pope's Chapel	E. M. Carter	H. G. Holmes, Youngsville, N. C.	110	115
Sanford	R. L. Williamson	Stella A. Stout, Sanford, N. C.	154	164
Turner's Chapel	B. J. Howard	Mrs. R. L. Ross, R. 5, Sanford, N. C.	60	55
Wake Chapel	J. L. Johnson	H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.	208	193
Wentworth	J. L. Johnson	Mrs. Geo. M. Williams, McCullers, N. C.	74	75
Youngsville	E. M. Carter	W. G. Scarborough, Youngsville, N. C.	38	40
Totals	.....	.....	4,632	4,488

North Carolina Conference.

Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Paid on Current Expenses.	Raised for Other Purposes.	Paid on Conference Apportionment.	Total Amount Raised during Year.	Value of Church Property.
$ 125.00	$ 30.00	$ 85.11	$ 25.00	$ 265.11	$ 1,500.00
150.00	31.00	86.37	56.21	323.58	800.00
125.00	.....	41.07	30.00	196.07	1,000.00
150.00	.....	90.00	30.00	240.00	500.00
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300.00	.....	232.66	50.00	582.60	2,500.00
100.00	.....	137.21	40.00	277.21	1,500.00
200.00	.....	51.93	20.00	271.93	2,000.00
47.00	40.00	12.10	.....	99.10	2,500.00
200.00	140.95	186.63	78.48	617.58	2,400.00
.....	.....	100.00	25.00	125.00	1,500.00
150.00	32.20	157.00	46.40	385.60	1,000.00
150.00	.....	47.00	40.00	237.00	2,000.00
1,350.00	713.87	1,045.25	130.00	3,239.05	12,000.00
70.00	.....	20.00	20.00	110.00	.....
700.00	85.00	201.83	320.00	986.83	5,000.00
175.00	.....	6.61	50.00	231.61	1,000.00
150.00	205.50	64.00	25.00	380.50	6,000.00
120.00	23.50	.....	20.00	163.50	1,500.00
400.00	25.00	153.71	150.00	728.71	4,000.00
150.00	.....	.....	13.41	163.41	500.00
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100.00	.....	.....	20.00	120.00	800.00
200.00	40.00	.....	11.13	251.13	2,500.00
250.00	24.00	263.94	40.00	597.94	4,000.00
80.00	.....	10.00	50.00	140.00	800.00
250.00	12.00	196.42	42.00	500.42	1,800.00
200.00	.....	51.00	50.00	301.00	1,200.00
300.00	54.67	86.12	125.00	511.12	3,000.00
150.00	.....	49.12	20.00	219.12	400.00
275.00	20.00	36.00	100.00	411.00	2,000.00
1,149.00	138.95	71.00	125.00	1,481.95	10,000.00
225.00	.....	.....	.....	225.00	1,000.00
300.00	102.00	497.48	150.00	947.48	15,000.00
200.00	.....	164.57	50.00	414.57	2,000.00
175.00	30.17	8.81	29.00	242.98	2,000.00
$ 8,666.00	$ 1,748.81	$ 4,152.94	$ 1,981.63	$15,988.10	$95,700.00

Sunday School Statistics—Eastern N. C. Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised during Year.
Antioch	S. B. Spragins, Gasburg, Va	6	74	$ 69.52
Auburn	Early Jones, Auburn, N. C	12	87	81.61
Bethel	Aaron Holloman, R. 1, New Hill, N. C	6	47	16.00
Bethlehem				
Beulah	A. W. Watkins, R. 3, Zebulon, N. C	7	50	30.00
Catawba Springs	M. C. Sorrell, R. 2, Apex, N. C	8	145	100.00
Christian Light		8	66	
Christian Chapel	J. W. Poe, New Hill, N. C	8	54	4.78
Clayton		6	75	
Damascus	T. C. Lindsey, Tarboro, N. C	5	80	88.73
Franklinton	G. T. Whitaker, Franklinton, N. C	4	30	75.00
Fuller's	W. S. Briggs, Henderson, N. C	8	63	117.47
Hayes' Chapel				
Henderson	H. B. Harward, Henderson, N. C	11	105	462.02
Lebanon	E. L. Pattishawl, R. 2, Sanford, N. C	8	43	
Liberty	M. L. Grissom, R. 1, Henderson, N. C	24	239	482.54
Martha's Chapel	J. H. Holder, R. 3, Apex, N. C	6	60	30.00
Mebane	J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C	7	54	104.31
Morrisville	E. W. Clements, Morrisville, N. C	5	20	66.20
Mt. Auburn	J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C	15	106	88.15
Mt. Carmel	B. F. Morton, Franklinton, N. C	8	93	50.00
New Hill				
New Hope	W. A. Wheless, R. 1, Louisburg, N. C	11	112	83.91
Oak Level	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, N. C	9	93	75.42
O'Kelly's				
Piney Plains	R. L. Horton, R. 4, Raleigh, N. C	7	75	37.85
Pleasant Hill	J. B. Barbour, Benson, N. C	6	52	8.00
Pleasant Union	M. E. Wilder, R. 1, Lillington, N. C	6	82	80.00
Plymouth	B. G. Partin, McCullers, N. C	4	39	21.25
Pope's Chapel	J. W. Smith, Youngsville, N. C	5	58	35.00
Sanford	J. S. Truitt, Sanford, N. C	14	214	350.00
Turner's Chapel	B. C. Dawson, R. 5, Sanford, N. C	8	75	75.00
Wake Chapel	D. J. Ellis, Varina, N. C	12	125	289.28
Wentworth	B. L. Brown, R. 3, Raleigh, N. C	7	101	333.81
Youngsville	C. A. Moore, Youngsville, N. C	7	59	102.85
Totals		160	1,576	$ 3,358.70

Proceedings of the Fifty-Eighth Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference

Pleasant Ridge Church, Randolph County, N. C.
November 7, 8, 1928.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Western North Carolina Christian Conference met today and was called to order at 10:15 A. M. by the President, Rev. G. O. Lankford.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. John M. Allred.

The roll of ministers and Churches was called and a quorum declared to be present. The complete enrollment is as follows:

Ministers—John M. Allred, R. 1, Asheboro, N. C.; W. J. Edwards, T. J. Green, Elon College, N. C.; W. N. Hayes, Seagrove, N. C.; G. O. Lankford, Burlington, N. C.; T. E. White, Elon College, N. C.; W. C. Martin, Biscoe, N. C.; E. C. Brady, Elon College, N. C.; M. A. Pollard, Liberty, N. C.; D. R. Moffitt, Coleridge, N. C.; G. R. Underwood.

Licentiate—H. V. Cox, Ramseur, N. C.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch (R)—Fletcher Hayes.
Antioch (C)—
Burlington—Mrs. W. L. Cates, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, M. C. Stafford.
Bennett—Miss Clara Ruth.
Biscoe—J. A. Dunlap, George Cox.
Brown's Chapel—A. D. Brewer, J. M. Aldridge.
Big Oak—D. E. Cole, Miss Ella Brewer.
Ether—H. J. Cochrane.
Glendon—D. T. Phillips, L. D. Phillips.
Grace's Chapel—
Graham—
Graham Providence—W. H. Ausley.
Hank's Chapel—Mrs. G. R. Underwood.
High Point—M. M. Martin, C. E. Moffitt.
Liberty—C. L. Bray.
Mt. Pleasant—E. M. Marks.
Needham's Grove—W. H. Scott, J. W. Bowers.
New Center—Mrs. Elmer Hayes, Bascom Craven.
Parks X-Roads—W. M. Dorsett, R. W. York, R. E. Caviness.
Patterson's Grove—J. A. Patterson, J. A. Ellison.

Pleasant Cross—J. H. Shane.
Pleasant Grove—L. M. Presnell, T. M. Brady, Mrs. Don Brown.
Pleasant Hill—M. F. Hornaday, Paul E. Coble, W. C. McPherson, Mrs. Vera Teague.
Pleasant Ridge—W. O. Craven, Mrs. H. C. Cox, V. M. Cox, Mrs. J. R. Davis.
Pleasant Union—E. R. Yates, Mrs. C. C. Morris.
Poplar Branch—
Ramseur—Mrs. I. H. Faust, I. H. Faust.
Randleman—S. G. Robbins, A. P. Gaster.
Seagrove—O. D. Lawrence, Amos Farlow.
Shady Grove—B. B. Martin.
Shiloh—J. B. Garner, John Craven.
Smithwood—W. D. Curtis, M. T. Humble.
Spoon's Chapel—Mrs. M. J. Smith.
Union Grove—W. R. Brown, W. E. Brown, M. J. Brown.
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The following visitors were enrolled as deliberative members: Rev. J. O. Atkinson, N. C. & Va. Conference; Rev. J. L. Foster, E. Va. Conference; Supt. C. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C.; Rev. J. W. Hoyle, Jr., M. E. Church, Ramseur, N. C.; Rev. M. A. Pollard, Alabama Conference; Dr W. A. Harper, Elon College, N. C.; Prof. Simon A. Bennett, Elon College, N. C.; Rev. J. Lee Johnson, E. N. C. Conference.

Each of these brethren made a few remarks, expressing their joy in being present.

President Lankford, on behalf of the Conference, cordially welcomed these visitors, and asked that the Conference rise as a token of appreciation of their presence.

The report of the Program Committee was read and approved, subject to such changes as may be necessary from time to time.

The President then announced the following special committees:

Nominating—T. E. White, T. J. Green, W. M. Dorsett.
Resolutions—E. Carl Brady, Miss Essie Mae Cotten.
Press—J. O. Atkinson, J. L. Foster.
Finance—I. H. Faust, W. R. Sellars, W. L. Cates.
Place for Next Meeting—J. M. Allred, W. O. Craven.

The Executive Committee rendered the following report, which was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee, beg to report that the committee has not been called upon to attend to any matters of business during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
G. O. LANKFORD,
T. E. WHITE,
Committee.

Bro. C. D. Johnston advised the Conference that subscriptions to *The Christian Sun* would be received during the noon recess.

Bro. O. D. Lawrence asked that Conference apportionment checks be handed him at noon.

At this time, the Conference was favored with a thought-provoking and inspiring sermon by Rev. J. Lee Johnson, of the Eastern North Carolina Conference, who based his remarks on Eph. 1:17-20.

Upon motion, the Conference adjourned until 1:30 P. M. for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 1:35 P. M. by the President, G. O. Lankford.

Rev. H. V. Cox conducted the afternoon devotional services.

On motion, the following visitors were enrolled as deliberative members: Rev. R. A. Whitten, N. C. & Va. Conference; Dr. J. Edward Kirbye, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. J. H. Dollar, unattached; Prof. L. L. Vaughan, professor State College, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, N. C. & Va. Conference.

These visitors expressed their appreciation at being present, and upon request of Dr. Kirbye, the Conference voted to allow him to speak during the afternoon instead of tonight, as arranged in the program.

The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was presented by the chairman of the committee, Rev. G. R. Underwood. Earnest appeals by Bros. Underwood, Atkinson, C. D. Johnston, and Prof. Vaughan regarding Bible reading, and supporting our denominational publications and literature, were favorably received by the Conference. On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Recognizing the fact that the literature we read has a wonderful influence in molding and shaping the mind and heart, especially of the young, we recommend the following:

1. That our people read and study the Bible more thoroughly.
2. That our people subscribe to and read *The Christian Sun,* the organ of the Southern Christian Convention, as being a true exponent of our principles.
3. That those who can, subscribe to the *Herald of Gospel Liberty,* which includes the *Christian Missionary,* published at Dayton, Ohio.
4. That we recommend the reading of the books published by our people.
5. That all our Sunday Schools use the literature published by our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
G. R. UNDERWOOD, *Chairman.*

At this time, Dr. Harper introduced Dr. J. Edward Kirbye, who gave a helpful address on "Church Union," which was followed by informing remarks by Dr. Harper concerning recent action of the General Board of the Christian Church on "Church Union."

Bro. C. D. Johnston gave an address, detailing the work of the Christian Orphanage.

Ministerial reports were received from the following: J. M. Allred, H. V. Cox, J. C. Cummings, G. R. Underwood, W. N. Hayes, T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford, T. E. White, W. C. Martin, E. C. Brady, M. A. Pollard, D. R. Moffitt, W. J. Edwards.

It was moved, seconded, and ordered that reading of Church letters be omitted, and details be printed in our ANNUAL.

The Entertainment Committee made its report relative to the entertainment of visiting delegates.

On motion, the Conference adjourned until 7 P. M.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 7 P. M. by President G. O. Lankford.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. T. J. Green.

Rev. J. C. Cummings, of the Eastern N. C. Conference, was seated as a deliberative member.

Rev. T. E. White, as chairman, gave report on Christian union, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN UNION.

Jesus prayed that the Church might be one. His reason was that the world might believe. Missions and union are closely related. The foreign field has illustrated the need of union, and evangelistic campaigns in the home land have given emphasis to the need. The Christian denomination has always prayed for union, and we rejoice that real progress is being made in this direction, and we wish to go on record as a Conference as heartily endorsing the action of the Southern Christian Convention and the General Board of the Christian Church touching upon this cause which has been advocated throughout our entire history.

T. E. WHITE,
I. H. FAUST,
MRS. W. R. SELLARS,
Committee.

Bro. B. S. Moffitt made annual report on Sunday Schools. Following extended remarks by Bro. Moffitt, Prof. Bennett, Dr. Kirbye, Rev. Underwood, and Prof. Vaughan on our Sunday School work, literature and needs, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, make the following report:

We held a Sunday School Convention at Pleasant Ridge Church, June, 1928. We had a splendid convention. A real good program was rendered. Miss Julia Woodson did fine conducting the song service. Dr. Lankford, Dr. Atkinson and others made excellent addresses on real important topics. We desire that our people will take more interest in the work.

We recommend the following:

1. That teacher-training classes be organized and carried on in all schools.

2. That the subject of missions be taught to the young folks, and that each school contribute monthly offerings to our Christian Orphanage.

Items to be noticed: First, that pastors, superintendents and teachers take more interest in our young people.

We would emphasize the fact that funds are needed in order that the minutes of our annual Sunday School Convention and Christian Endeavor Convention may be printed and published in booklet form.

B. S. MOFFITT,
I. H. FAUST,
Committee.

An oral report on Christian Endeavor was given by M. C. Stafford. After remarks by Bro. Stafford and Dr. Lankford, the Conference received the report of the Committee on Education, which was given by Rev. T. E. White.

Rev. R. A. Whitten, in a talk on Elon College, asks that the report be amended to show and recommend action of Southern Christian Convention in asking that each Sunday School take quarterly collections for Elon.

At this time, Dr. Harper gave an address on "Elon College and its Work," following which the amended report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The task of the Church is to contribute its share of the work in the completed program of education. That task is no less than the making of Christian education. Education without Christianity will not save the nation. Ancient Greece and Rome had their intellectual men; Germany had twenty-three universities, but the two former nations perished and the latter plunged the world into war. Babylon had her wise men, but they had to have a religious trained Daniel to read and interpret God's writing on the wall. Ancient Egypt had her mighty men and magicians, but only a religious Hebrew slave and prisoner could interpret the dream of the king. Our State-supported schools and universities will teach the youth of our land to count money, build skyscrapers, and even conquer the air, but it is beyond their obligation to interpret the dreams and the silent voices of the soul. This is the task of the Church.

And for the accomplishment of this task, the Church has many agencies. First of all, the home. It should be Christian. Children should be born into the kingdom because the home is in the kingdom. Then into the Sunday School and Church, and finally graduated from the institution that is owned and controlled by the Church. The combined forces of evil may assault the home and the Church, but if Christian education prevails in our homes and in our schools the morals of our nation are safe.

We rejoice that our constituency has access to the agencies which the Church offers in producing the finished product—Christian character. We commend our own Elon College for what it has done and is doing, and we urge our Churches to give it their liberal support and patronage. It is entirely ours and has been purchased at a great sacrifice. It is not wise to build a mill, and carry the grist to some other mill.

First: We recommend that our Conference support the college financially, through liberal offerings to the benevolence budget of our Church, that we urge individual gifts and regular quarterly gifts to be made by our Sunday Schools.

Second: That Bro. B. H. Loudermilk be licensed to preach at this session of the Conference.

Third: That Rev. H. V. Cox, a licentiate, be ordained to the ministry.

Fourth: That Rev. M. A. Pollard, of the Alabama Conference, be received into this Conference, pending his letter from the Alabama Conference.

G. O. LANKFORD,
T. E. WHITE,
T. J. GREEN,
E. CARL BRADY,
Committee.

On motion, the Conference adjourned until 9:30 A. M., November 8, 1928.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 9:30 A. M. by President G. O. Lankford.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. G. R. Underwood.

The minutes of November 7th were read and, after correction, adopted.

Rev. G. R. Underwood moved that the Conference elect a historian, and after remarks explaining the desirability of such action, Rev. T. E. White was elected by acclamation as Historian.

The annual report on home missions was submitted by Rev. T. J. Green, chairman. Dr. Atkinson stressed the importance of the Conference having a Superannuation Committee. Dr. Lankford advises that such a committee will be appointed. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We note with great pleasure, since the meeting of our last annual Conference, our people at Biscoe have entirely completed their new house of worship, which is a splendid, large, brick-veneer structure, at a cost of from four to five thousand dollars. We commend them for their splendid efforts bringing them such results in so short a time with only a few members, and recommend that $200 of the home mission fund collected at this session of Conference be appropriated them to pay on their Church debt.

We also recommend Hank's Chapel, as we understand they have completed a splendid new house of worship.

We also recommend that Bro. W. N. Hayes receive benefits from the superannuate funds.

Since our home and foreign missions are not to share in the Conference apportionments hereafter, according to the action of the last session of the Southern Christian Convention, we jointly recommend, with the chairman of the Foreign Missions Committee, the resolutions set forth in his report as ways and means by which our mission causes may be sustained.

T. J. GREEN,
H. V. COX,
Committee.

The report of the Woman's Board was read by Mrs. I. H. Faust. Mrs. W. R. Sellars and Dr. Lankford explained in detail some of the

great work done and the results attained as set forth in this report. On motion, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSION BOARD.

Total receipts for 1928.....$4,510.67

Women's Societies.	
Burlington	$1,007.23
Ether	30.00
Graham	27.80
Grace's Chapel	5.48
Pleasant Hill	18.10
Providence Memorial	20.00
Ramseur	50.00
Randleman	15.00
Shiloh	16.10
Total	$1,189.71

Young People's Societies.	
Burlington	$ 210.00
Burlington, Jr.	64.70
Ramseur	13.70
Total	$ 288.40
Willing Workers.	
Burlington	$ 40.00
Cradle Rolls.	
Burlington	$ 30.00
Parks Cross Roads	3.10
Ramseur	1.65
Total	$ 34.75

Mrs. W. R. Sellars, *Treas.*

The chair announces the licensure of B. H. Lowdermilk and the ordination of H. V. Cox.

Chairman E. Carl Brady gave the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions. After an inspiring address on "Missions in the Bible," by Dr. Atkinson, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The idea of brotherhood is abroad in the land. It is especially in the foreground of denominational thought during the earlier part of our twentieth century. That Jesus prayed for the oneness of His followers convinces us that, with the progress being made, we may in some distant day reach that glorious consummation. That God meant to teach His world that He considered men brethren is evidenced by the expression from Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?" When Jesus taught His disciples to pray, He taught them to say, "Our Father." With this idea of brotherhood clearly in the heart of the Creator, and a glorious example and exemplication of it manifested in our intercessor, shall we continue to be so little interested in our brethren of other nations, clinics, races and conditions of existence?

Shall we dare place a new interpretation on Jesus' parting command, "Go ye into all the world," and continue largely to confine our interests to our homeland and send that which is an apparent surplus to our brethren of heathen nations? Have each of us been willing to place the emphasis in Christ's command on "ye," and thus acknowledge that "ye" may include every regenerated Christian. In the face of the assertions of this command, how many could stand blameless before the Judge of the quick and the dead? Have missions been slovenly cast aside? We need not answer. A casual glance at the fields on which our foreign missionaries labor, the strength of our Church there which represent foreign missionary zeal for more than a century, will convince us.

Malachi was anxious that his people should not rob God. He was confident that men should tithe. What say ye? This farseer of Israel was interested in the result in human life as well as the benefit to the causes of God. He advises his people thus: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of Host, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing, that then shall not be room enough to receive it."

There is evidence to show that interest in missions has not been properly aroused; that we have not yet regarded all men as our brethren; and that because of our lack of liberality we have automatically closed the doors of God's bounty toward us. The Christian Church has yet to realize the full purport of the Master's words when He said, "Give, and it shall be given you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

We believe that our Master, if He were to return to the earth, would say, "Surely the fields are white unto the harvest, but the laborers are few." We further believe that if He were to view the harts of Christian Amrica that He would nod dissent and exclaim, "Verily, I say unto you, that a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven."

With our work in Porto Rico lying prostrate in the path of one of the relentless hurricanes of God's providence; with practically all our chapels, as well as the rest of our property on the island damaged; with many homeless, almost naked, and hungry human beings there to be cared for, shall we allow our missionary zeal to abate? Our work in Japan goes slowly forward. What shall we say of our brethren in China, India and other dark places of the globe? Shall we never be more interested in giving to them the light and life which Jesus came to bring the great human family?

Our mission cause has suffered. But we hope that a new day and a new solution to our problem is to be found in the near future. In order to make our missionary work more effective, the Home and Foreign Mission Committee are jointly offering the following recommendations:

1. In order to place the missionary task before our people and enlist their support, that as soon after Conference as feasible, every Church of the Conference not thus far having made up its budget for the year do so, and in making up that budget they include as the item for missions one-half for home and one-half for foreign, unless otherwise designated, an amount equal to one-third the pastor's salary.

2. In those cases in which the budget is not adopted, that at the first meeting of the Church every Church be urged to put on a canvass among its members for missions, each member to be seen and given a chance to make a pledge for missions, indicating how much, as well as when, the same will be given.

3. In further representing to raise the amount asked where the budget plan is not adopted, that a vigorous campaign be put on and the largest possible offering secured in the spring to be taken either on Easter or at the service on the Sunday nearest Easter.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CARL BRADY,
MRS. G. R. UNDERWOOD,
Committee.

At this time, Bro. B. H. Lowdermilk was licensed, and Rev. H. V. Cox was ordained by the Conference. The ordaining presbytery consisted of Rev. T. E. White, Rev. T. J. Green, Rev. J. M. Allred, and Dr. G. O. Lankford, who presented certificate of licensure to Bro. Lowdermilk, after which Rev. E. Carl Brady presented H. V. Cox for ordination. An impressive charge was delivered by Rev. T. E. White, the Bible was presented by Rev. T. J. Green, after which during song the ordained ministers present extended the right hand of fellowship.

Owing to an emergency, the Conference voted to excuse T. E. White and J. M. Allred from the afternoon session.

On motion, the Conference adjourned for lunch until 1:30 P. M.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 1:45 P. M. by the President, G. O. Lankford.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. D. R. Moffitt.

The report on social service was given by Rev. J. U. Fogleman, and, upon motion, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE.

(Gal. 5:1) "Stand fast, therefore, in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage."

1. Introduction: The above are the words of Paul, who had been converted to the Christian faith.
2. God said to Moses, "Speak to the children of Israel."
3. The same voice speaks to men and women of today concerning the morals of the land, "Go forward."
4. While conditions are not the best, we feel that much good is being done in (a) prohibition, (b) conditions in general.
5. We, the Social Service Committee, recommend that every individual (Christian) do his best to uphold the moral, social, spiritual and civic conditions of our country.
6. That we do not go backward, but press forward, preparing today for the general welfare of our generations tomorrow.

J. U. FOGLEMAN,
W. C. MARTIN,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was rendered by M. C. Stafford, in place of Rev. J. M. Allred, chairman, who was absent. After a few remarks by Bro. Stafford, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

1. Evangelism is to make known to others the gospel of Jesus Christ.
2. To do this, the evangelist must know what it is.
3. It must begin at Jerusalem, or at home; then they that hear must tell it to others, so they may hear.
4. We must hear it to prove there is something to it. "By their fruit ye shall know them."
5. Where we cannot go, we must send it by the missionary.
6. We must hold them up by prayer and our means to support them on the foreign fields.
7. To be a success in this work, we must all, as Christians, feel our responsibility and put our strength together in the work.
8. We should pray most that the Holy Spirit may direct this work, and not man.
9. We would recommend most earnestly that this Conference give more time and energy and thought to this all-important phase of our Lord's business.

J. M. ALLRED,
M. C. STAFFORD,
D. R. MOFFITT,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Apportionments was received. After talks by Dr. Atkinson, Rev. R. A. Whitten, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, on motion, the report was unanimously adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We recommend that $150 be retained in the treasury for Conference expenses, and that the balance raised this year be remitted to the Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention in lump sum, as voted at the recent session of that body.

We recommend that the Churches endeavor to raise the apportionments and co-operate with our various departments in raising the goals set for missions, the college, the Orphanage, and Christian education, through offerings and individual gifts.

We recommend the following apportionments for 1928-'29:

Antioch (R)	$ 44.00	New Center	82.50
Antioch (C)	55.00	Parks Cross Roads	137.50
Addor	27.50	Patterson's Grove	49.50
Burlington	550.00	Pleasant Cross	60.50
Bennett	44.00	Pleasant Hill	115.50
Biscoe	27.50	Pleasant Grove	159.50
Big Oak	88.00	Pleasant Ridge	115.50
Brown's Chapel	66.00	Pleasant Union	55.00
Center Grove	55.00	Poplar Branch	44.00
Ether	55.00	Ramseur	88.00
Glendon	55.00	Randleman	55.00
Grace's Chapel	55.00	Seagrove	49.50
Graham	82.50	Shady Grove	55.00
Graham Providence Mem'l	82.50	Shiloh	55.00
Hank's Chapel	137.50	Smithwood	55.00
High Point	55.00	Spoon's Chapel	27.50
Liberty	27.50	Union Grove	71.50
Mt. Pleasant	27.50	Zion	77.00
Needham's Grove	27.50		

Rev. E. Carl Brady presented the report of the Committee on Resolutions. After a talk by Rev. R. A. Whitten explaining the desirability of grouping rural Churches, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee on Resolutions looks with despair on some of our dying Churches. The rural Church is not wholly to blame. The pastor, the key-man, is largely responsible. What other organization in America will employ a man and expect only one-seventh of his time to be spent actually working in the organization? The segregated rural Churches are gradually perishing themselves, and in turn are almost starving the preacher because of the small amount of finance left him after his traveling expenses are paid. The idea has been advanced before, but we are desirous at this time to offer the following resolutions in regard to grouping or consolidating the rural Churches wherever the plan seems possible. Resolved:

1. That our rural Churches be encouraged, both by delegates and pastors, to form pastorates wherever feasible.

2. That this Conference again go on record as expressing its hearty approval of the noble progress made by the various bodies of the Christian and Congregational Churches toward the union.

3. That we express, by rising vote of thanks, our gratitude to and hearty appreciation of the hospitality shown this Conference by the pastor and members of Pleasant Ridge Church.

4. That we express our appreciation to the Conference officials for the efficient services rendered in making possible the rendition of the splendid Conference program.

5. That we thank our visiting brethren, who were invited to seats as deliberative members, for their wholesome interest and enthusiastic appeals in behalf of our various undertakings.

6. That we extend our appreciation to the women of the Conference for their untiring efforts in promoting the cause of missions.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CARL BRADY,
ESSIE MAE COTTON,
Committee.

The report of the Finance Committee was read by Bro. I. H. Faust, chairman, and upon motion the report was adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the Finance Committee of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference, in session at Pleasant Ridge Christian Church, November 8, 1928, make the following report:

After checking the Treasurer's books, find $1,630.03 during present session of Conference.

Balance on hand at beginning of present session of Conference.....	$ 49.16
Total collections present session.....	1,630.03
Grand total of cash on hand.....	$1,679.19

I. H. FAUST,
W. R. SELLARS,
Committee.

Bro. O. D. Lawrence submitted his Treasurer's report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1927.			
Nov. 8.	To balance on hand		$ 289.30
	To collections from Churches		1,756.11
			$2,045.41
	DISBURSEMENTS.		
Nov. 16.	By Rev. H. V. Cox, pastoral services at Addor....	$ 37.50	
	By J. H. Harden, Sec.....	25.00	
	By G. O. Lankford, programs, etc.....	13.75	
Dec. 13.	By W. C. Wicker, Treas.:		
	For publications	100.00	
	For Convention fund	100.00	
	For Christian education	100.00	
	For superannuation	350.00	
	For schools and colleges.....	360.00	
	For missions	360.00	
	For Orphanage	200.00	
	For Western N. C. Conference H. M. fund...	275.00	
1928.			
Mar. 17.	By Central Publishing Co., ANNUALS.....	75.00	
			1,996.25
	Balance on hand November 7, 1928.....		$ 49.16
	By present collections		1,630.03
	Total		$1,679.19

O. D. LAWRENCE, *Treasurer.*

Rev. T. J. Green moved that the Conference buy 150 copies of THE ANNUAL, and that these be distributed on the same basis as last year, which motion was carried.

The chair appointed the following standing committees and asked Rev. T. E. White, chairman of the Nominating Committee, to submit nominations for officers of the Woman's Board:

Executive—G. O. Lankford, T. E. White, W. R. Sellars.
Home Missions—T. J. Green, Junius H. Harden, H. V. Cox.
Foreign Missions—E. C. Brady, Mrs. G. R. Underwood, C. A. Walker.
Religious Literature—G. R. Underwood, M. A. Pollard, W. P. Gaster.
Education—E. C. Brady, T. E. White, T. J. Green.
Evangelism—J. M. Allred, M. C. Stafford, D. R. Moffitt.
Sunday Schools—Geo. T. Gunter, B. S. Moffitt, Miss Essie Mae Cotten.
Christian Endeavor—M. C. Stafford, E. H. Thompson, S. G. Robbins.
Christian Union—T. E. White, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, John M. Allred.
Social Service—J. U. Fogleman, W. C. Martin, Walter Reitzel.
Apportionments—Junius H. Harden, P. E. Coble, O. D. Lawrence.
Superannuation—I. H. Faust, W. E. Allred, T. A. Moffitt.
Program—G. O. Lankford, T. E. White, M. C. Stafford.

It was moved and carried that the President of Conference be added to the Educational Committee.

The Nominating Committee, Rev. T. E. White, chairman, submitted the following names as officers of the Woman's Board: Mrs. I. H. Faust (chairman), Mrs. D. A. Cornelison, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, and Mrs. G. R. Underwood, which report was adopted and these officers elected.

At this time, Dr. Atkinson made the plea that this Conference take the mission report and recommendations and put them into practice after returning home. The Conference gave Dr. Atkinson a rising vote, pledging its co-operation in this matter.

The Conference gave Pleasant Ridge Church a rising vote of thanks as a token of its appreciation of the lavish entertainment received.

The chairman of the Committee on Place brings forward two invitations for the Conference next year—Parks Cross Roads and Smithwood. Upon motion, Smithwood was designated as the place of meeting for the Fifty-ninth Conference.

After the reading of this day's minutes, and parting remarks by the President, the Conference stood adjourned until Tuesday morning after the first Sunday in November, 1929, at which time the Conference will meet at Smithwood, Randolph County, N. C.

G. O. LANKFORD, *President.*
JUNIUS H. HARDEN, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

John M. Allred—Asheboro. Sermons, 124; baptisms, 7; marriages, 5; received, 19; funerals, 12. Salary, $805.

H. V. Cox—Ramseur. Sermons, 46; received, 14; funerals, 6. Salary, $574.43.

J. C. Cummings—Hemp. Sermons, 132; baptisms, 29; received, 50; funerals, 8. Salary, $1,575.

G. R. Underwood—Pittsboro. Sermons, 12; marriages, 2; funerals, 4.

W. N. Hayes—Seagrove. Sermons, 15; funerals, 3.

T. J. Green—Elon College. Sermons, 105; baptisms, 38; marriages, 3; received, 44; funerals, 8; pastoral visits, 200. Salary, $1,150.

G. O. Lankford—Burlington. Sermons, 105; baptisms, 8; marriages, 13; received, 27; special addresses, 3; pastoral visits, 850; funerals, 14. Salary, $3,000.

T. E. White—Elon College. Sermons, 20; marriage, 1; funerals, 4.

W. C. Martin—Biscoe. Sermons, 12; baptisms, 12; received, 20; conversions, 25. Salary, $50.

E. Carl Brady—Big Oak. Sermons, 13; received, 2; baptisms, 2; pastoral visits, 50. Salary, $200.

M. A. Pollard—Liberty. Sermons, 180; baptisms, 6; marriage, 1; received, 6; special addresses, 12; pastoral visits, 322; funerals, 2. Salary, $435.31.

D. R. Moffitt—Coleridge. Sermons, 80; received, 5; baptisms, 5; marriage, 1; funerals, 8. Salary, $313.40.

W. J. Edwards—High Point. Sermons, 40; special addresses, 2; conversions, 33; funeral, 1.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.
Antioch (R.)	D. R. Moffitt	Dora Fox, Coleridge, N. C	73	71
Antioch (C.)	J. S. Carden	Mrs. Grace Tyson, R. 3, Pittsboro, N. C	76	76
Bennett	D. R. Moffitt	L. M. Murray, Bennett, N. C	52	52
Biscoe		O. H. Lambert, Biscoe, N. C	14	13
Big Oak	E. C. Brady	D. E. Cole, R. 1, Biscoe, N. C	182	180
Brown's Chapel	W. C. Martin	Ersoe Saunders, Eagle Springs, N. C		163
Burlington	G. O. Lankford	M. C. Stafford, Burlington, N. C	644	657
Ether	M. A. Pollard	Mrs. C. C. Phillips, Ether, N. C	70	68
Glendon	J. C. Cummings	G. M. Talley, Carbonton, N. C	74	89
Grace's Chapel	J. W. Knight	R. B. Coggin, R. 1, Sanford, N. C	147	133
Graham	W. C. Wicker	J. D. Kernodle, Graham, N. C	28	26
Graham Prov.-Mem.	J. U. Fogleman	Clifford Welch, Graham, N. C	80	84
Hank's Chapel				
High Point	John M. Allred	Mrs. Leta Woodell, High Point, N. C	70	78
Liberty	J. W. Patton	C. L. Bray, Liberty, N. C	18	18
Mt. Pleasant	J. S. Carden	E. L. Aurty, R. 3, Cameron, N. C	87	76
Needham's Grove	J. C. Cummings	C. L. Comer, R. 1, Steeds, N. C	72	78
New Center	D. R. Moffitt	Helen Garner, Seagrove, N. C	90	85
Park's Cross Roads	J. C. Cummings	W. R. Rightsell, R. 2, Ramseur, N. C	146	159
Patterson's Grove	H. V. Cox	J. T. Ellison, Franklinville, N. C	27	34
Pleasant Cross	H. V. Cox	Fannie Ellison, R. 1, Asheboro, N. C	66	67
Pleasant Grove	D. R. Moffitt	J. A. Hicks, Bennett, N. C	289	292
Pleasant Hill	L. L. Wyrick	Paul E. Cohle, R. 3, Liberty, N. C	195	172
Pleasant Ridge				
Pleasant Union	B. H. Loudermilk	A. V. McDowell, Mechanic, N. C	17	17
Poplar Branch				
Ramseur	J. C. Cummings	T. A. Moffitt, Ramseur, N. C	96	104
Randleman	J. M. Allred	C. F. Swaney, Randleman, N. C	104	107
Seagrove	J. C. Cummings	Mrs. A. C. Harris, Seagrove, N. C	36	36
Shady Grove	M. A. Pollard	W. C. Floyd, Ether, N. C	50	41
Shiloh	J. C. Cummings	B. S. Moffitt, Ramseur, N. C	108	109
Smithwood	M. A. Pollard	W. D. Humble, Liberty, N. C	109	106
Union Grove	H. V. Cox	W. R. Brown, R. 1, Asheboro, N. C	76	77
Zion	J. E. Franks	T. E. Farrell, Moncure, N. C	193	192
Totals			3,289	3,460

North Carolina Conference.

Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Special Mission Offering.	Special Orphanage Offering.	All Other Benevolences.	Conference Apportionment.	Paid on Conference Apportionment.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
$ 56.50				$ 44.00	$ 6.00			$ 62.50	$ 500
150.00	$ 1.73	$ 12.00	$ 14.30	55.00	12.43			190.46	
40.81		5.00		44.00	15.00			60.81	2,800
				27.50	12.00			12.00	4,585
200.00	14.56		11.06	88.00	27.07	$ 155.00	$ 39.73	447.42	600
50.00			33.00	66.00	11.44			94.44	700
3,000.00	332.20	95.75	332.54	550.00	550.00	358.26	4,877.13	9,545.88	100,000
				55.00					1,750
400.00	387.00	25.16	80.00	55.00		25.34		917.50	3,240
250.00				55.00				250.00	1,000
120.00				82.50	25.00		18.50	163.50	4,000
500.00				82.50	61.50	470.00	100.10	1,131.60	4,000
				137.50					
400.00	47.00	52.53		55.00	55.00		280.76	835.29	3,150
102.28		5.00		27.50	20.00		10.72	138.00	3,500
232.70	4.15		11.00	27.50	16.50			264.35	1,000
78.18				27.50	27.50			105.68	1,535
				82.50	11.60		20.70	32.30	920
300.00	57.25		56.35	137.50	93.00	25.00	9.00	540.60	3,000
68.50	3.75		20.00	49.50	12.74	321.72		426.71	850
205.00	33.00	18.42	33.75	60.50	60.50		110.00	460.67	1,200
150.00		8.85	250.00	159.50	30.25		237.00	666.10	1,800
200.00	17.57		90.00	115.50	82.46		87.50	477.53	2,700
				115.50					
54.80				55.00				54.80	500
				44.00					
400.00			246.00	88.00	44.00		132.99	823.05	3,500
155.00	75.00	79.55		55.00	55.00	25.00	338.00	727 55	2,800
200.00	42.00	9.42		49.50	50.00	59.00	15.25	375.67	3,000
				55.00	6.00		52.25	58.25	925
200.00	55.00	15.45		55.00	55.00		37.47	362.92	1,000
379.00			62.50	55.00	25.00		42.92	509.42	6,500
141.10	25.64	13.90		71.50	71.50	51.00	27.03	330.17	1,250
200.00	57.97			77.00	20.03			278.00	1,000
$ 8,233.87	$ 1,153.82	$ 341.03	$ 1,240.50	$ 2,805.00	$ 1,456.52	$ 1,490.32	$ 6,437.05	$20,343.17	$163,305

Sunday School Statistics—Western N. C. Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number in Cradle Roll.	Number in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Amount Raised during Year.
Antioch (R.)	J. H. Fox, Moffitt, N. C.	6	....	....	24	$ 7.56
Antioch (C.)	W. C. Thomas, R. 1, Cumnock, N. C.	8	15	....	53	10.00
Bennett	A. B. Phillips, Bennett, N. C	6	....	....	75	35.00
Biscoe		....	....	....	....	....
Big Oak	Mrs. J. M. Bailey, R. 1, Biscoe, N. C.	3	....	....	25	4.44
Brown's Chapel		....	....	....	....	....
Burlington	John M. Fix, Burlington, N. C.	40	14	20	414	4,239.00
Ether	W. H. Freeman, Ether, N. C.	7	....	....	64	100.19
Glendon	L. G. Phillips, Putnam, N. C.	6	....	....	76	63.03
Grace's Chapel	W. N. Brantley, Sanford, N. C.	121	35	....	195	72.50
Graham	J. J. Henderson, Graham, N. C.	10	....	....	43	111.52
Graham Prov.-Mem	J. B. Farrell, Graham, N. C.	13	....	....	121	179.46
Hank's Chapel		....	....	....	....	....
High Point	L. B. Gardner, R. 5, H. Point, N. C.	8	18	....	125	176.00
Liberty	Cyrus Shoffner, Liberty, N. C.	9	1	....	54	152.19
Mt. Pleasant	E. M. Marks, R. 1, Overhills, N. C.	9	....	....	90	69.53
Needham's Grove	W. W. Ritter, R. 1, Steeds, N. C.	7	....	....	121	30.00
New Center		....	....	....	....	....
Parks' Cross Roads	W. R. Rightsell, R. 2, Ramseur, N. C.	8	....	....	147	123.79
Patterson's Grove	A. C. Chandler, Franklinville, N. C.	8	....	....	35	9.00
Pleasant Cross	J. H. Pugh, R. 1, Asheboro, N. C.	6	....	....	58	27.53
Pleasant Grove	J. R. Brown, Bennett, N. C.	8	....	....	140	39.93
Pleasant Hill	C. B. Pike, R. 3, Liberty, N. C.	....	....	....	167	280.75
Pleasant Ridge		....	....	....	....	....
Pleasant Union	E. G. McDowell, Mechanic, N. C.	5	....	....	60	6.00
Poplar Branch		....	....	....	....	....
Ramseur	L. W. Burgess, Ramseur, N. C.	....	23	....	170	406.72
Randleman	C. F. Swaney, Randleman, N. C.	10	....	....	175	125.00
Seagrove	O. D. Lawrence, Seagrove, N. C.	6	....	....	72	56.86
Shady Grove	B. B. Martin, Martin's Mill, N. C.	....	....	....	....	15.71
Shiloh	Numa Rumley, Moffitt, N. C.	8	8	....	84	40.00
Smithwood	J. M. Smith, R. 2, Liberty, N. C.	7	9	....	131	125.00
Union Grove	W. E. Brown, Star R., Asheboro, N. C.	8	19	....	125	50.52
Zion	T. E. Farrell, Moncure, N. C.	7	....	....	90	65.00
Totals		225	142	20	2,934	$ 6,622.23

Proceedings of Eighty-Third Annual Session of Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Georgia and Alabama Conference met in its eighty-third annual session with the First Christian Church at LaGrange, Ga., October 9th, at 7:30 P. M. Conference was called to order by President Rev. H. M. Gray.

Devotional service by Rev. C. W. Hanson.

Welcome address by the mayor of LaGrange, Mr. H. C. Fincher.

Response by Rev. J. D. Dollar.

Enrollment of ministers, Churches and delegates.

Ministers—W. H. Brewer, H. M. Gray, T. W. Gray, C. W. Hanson, W. C. Carpenter, J. D. Dollar. H. W. Elder, H. T. Gray, A. H. Sheppherd, T. W. Crowder, T. J. Dean.

Licentiates—E. J. Easterwood, A. B. Mann, C. L. Reese, Vinson Reese, H. R. Heard, W. D. Wilkerson, E. B. Smith, W. W. Willingham.

Churches and Delegates.

Ambrose—By letter.
Beulah—Mrs. Ella Hill.
North Highland—By letter.
East LaGrange—By letter.
Lanett—Mrs. J. T. Cox, Mrs. Nettie Kitchens, J. W. Kent, G. R. Manley, H. R. Howell.
Oak Grove—H. B. Floyd, Henry Floyd.
Hill Side—Mrs. Mooty.
Richland—Mrs. Ethel Abell, Mrs. Hallman, Mr. and Mrs. Tatum, Mrs. D. S. Hogg.
Enigma—By letter.
First, LaGrange—Ray Whaley, A. G. McClendon, Mrs. Amelia Gray, Mrs. John Henry Murphy.
Vanceville—Walter Hand, Walker Pearson, L. M. Veazey.
Rose Hill—Lucille Short, Jimmie Horton.
Union—By letter.

Election of officers:

President—Rev. H. M. Gray.
Vice-President—Rev. J. D. Dollar.

Secretary—Mrs. J. O. Mabry.
Assistant Secretary—Rev. W. C. Carpenter.
Treasurer—Mr. H. B. Floyd.

Reading of program. Program adopted, with the amendment that Rev. J. D. Dollar be excused and Dr. J. O. Atkinson preach in his stead Wednesday at 11 o'clock.

The following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Miss Pattie Coghill, secretary of young people's work; Rev. Joe French, of Alabama Conference; Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, superintendent of Orphanage; Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Secretary of Missions.

Annual address by the President, Rev. H. M. Gray.

Appointment of special committees:

Publicity—W. C. Carpenter, H. T. Gray.
Nominations—A. H. Sheppherd, A. B. Mann.
Resolutions—J. D. Dollar, W. H. Brewer.

Miscellaneous business. Assignment of delegates.

Benediction by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 8:30 A. M. by President H. M. Gray.

Devotional service conducted by Mr. J. W. Kent.

Minutes of previous session read and adopted.

Report of Executive Committee read by Rev. H. M. Gray; discussed by Rev. J. D. Dollar and Dr. J. O. Atkinson, and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, wish to make the following report:

During the year we transacted the following business: We ordained Rev. H. T. Gray and licensed H. R. Heard and E. B. Smith at Lanett Christian Church, Lanett, Ala., on the 18th day of December, 1927.

We granted the Rose Hill Christian Church $99.84, to be paid out of Conference home mission fund by H. B. Floyd.

We had 100 copies of THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL ordered for the Conference, at the price of $50, to be paid by H. B. Floyd out of the Conference fund.

We prepared a Conference program for 1928 and had 300 copies printed, at a cost of $3.50, to be paid for at Conference out of Conference fund.

We borrowed $60 from the Missionary Association to send delegates to the Southern Christian Convention, and this money is to be paid back by the Conference Home Mission Board.

We have not had our Conference incorporated. On April 6, 1928, we had a meeting at East LaGrange Christian Church, LaGrange, Ga., for the purpose of advising them as a Church that they might get themselves in a better working condition as a Church, and we believe that we accomplished that purpose.

This is all the business that has called our attention this year.

H. M. GRAY,
J. D. DOLLAR,
C. W. HANSON,
Committee.

An address by Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, circulation manager of *The Christian Sun,* on "The Christian Sun." Discussion by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Rev. H. M. Gray, and Rev. W. C. Carpenter.

On motion, Rev. G. D. Hunt and G. H. Veazey were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Report on foreign missions read by Rev. H. M. Gray. Discussion by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Rev. H. M. Gray. On motion, report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, wish to make the following report:

We feel we, as a Conference, are not doing as much for missions as we should. We recommend that we read the literature on missions and inform ourselves on this line of Christian work; and we believe that when our people learn the will of Christ concerning missions that they will be willing to do more for missions. Jesus Christ was a Missionary come from heaven to preach the gospel to a lost world; the apostles were missionary in spirit and in action, and the gospel has come to us by those who had the missionary spirit and made a sacrifice to bring it to us, and we ought to be thankful enough to pass it on to those who have it not.

Let us begin at the first of the Conference year and put the cause of missions before them and ask every member of the Church to pay a little in a systematic way, and we will be surprised at the results and will be made happier and better by so doing.

T. W. GRAY,
T. J. DEAN,
H. T. GRAY,
Committee.

Report on home missions read by Rev. J. D. Dollar. Discussion by Rev. J. D. Dollar. Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, present the following report:

As a Conference, we need to realize something of the great and open doors to us; we should also realize something of our responsibility in this matter, and I think if we would check up on ourselves we will find that we are not meeting the responsibility as we should, for we now have fewer Churches in number than we had a few years ago, and it is also true that we reported a decrease in our membership last year of 149, which is alarming when we think about it.

We have another situation in our Conference which is unusual. We have more preachers than Churches. We have the men and the field is white unto harvest. Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we convert our Home Mission Committee into a Home Mission Board, and that the board consist of not less than five members, of which the President of the Conference is to be chairman; and not less than two of whom shall be laymen, and that the board set themselves to work to establish some new points, and, if possible, some new Churches within the next Conference year.

2. That we set as our goal a 25 per cent increase in membership during the coming Conference year.

3. That our Conference apportionment remain the same as last year.

4. That all our pastors study, preach and practice tithing, which we believe is God's method of financing His kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. DOLLAR (*Chairman*),
W. D. WILKINSON,
VINSON REESE,
Committee.

Sermon by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

On motion, Dr. S. L. Beougher and Mrs. G. L. Stephens were invited to be seated as deliberative members.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 P. M., by President Rev. H. M. Gray. Devotional service conducted by Rev. H. R. Heard.

Minutes of previous session read and adopted.

Reading of ministerial reports.

Report read by request of Rev. H. W. Elder as to the amount that had been given him during year.

Reading of Church letters.

Report on Sunday School read by Rev. W. C. Carpenter. Discussion by Rev. W. C. Carpenter. Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Since most of the members of the Church were first members of the Sunday Schools, the Sunday Schools, therefore, are recruiting stations for the Church. Since most of our preaching is "over the heads" of the children, and also many adults, it is, therefore, also a training school—the auxiliary from which we get most of our religious education.

Since a prominent judge of juvenile court has declared that less than 1 per cent of the children brought before him ever attended Sunday School, it is, therefore, a saving station, saving the child from a life of crime. The Sunday School being all this, and more, we cannot afford to be careless or indifferent toward its work.

In order to have the most efficient teachers, we recommend that our Sunday School teachers not only study the quarterly, but read widely and pray much, that their efforts be not in vain but profitable in the Lord, bearing much fruit. We further recommend that they have regular meetings for counsel and prayer.

We further recommend that every Sunday School send at least three of its most promising young people to our summer school of religious education, at Wadley.

We recommend that our Sunday Schools make regular offerings to our Orphanage and missions.

We urge and recommend that every Sunday School be represented at our convention in the spring.

Lastly, we recommend that all of our schools organize, where possible, a home department and cradle roll department.

W. C. CARPENTER (*Chairman*),
A. B. MANN,
Committee.

The women of the Georgia and Alabama Conference organized themselves into a Woman's Missionary Board. The following offi-

cers were elected: Mrs. T. F. Roquemore, president; Mrs. D. S. Hogg, vice-president; Mrs. J. T. Cox, secretary; Mrs. G. F. Partridge, treasurer; Miss Susie Elder, superintendent of young people's work; Mrs. W. K. Kitchen, superintendent of cradle roll.

On motion, Dr. Neil was invited to a seat as deliberative member.

Report on Christian Endeavor read by Mrs. Mary Mabry.

Address by Miss Pattie Coghill. Report adopted.

Miscellaneous business.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We, your committee, wish to make the following report: .

We had a Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention at Beulah Christian Church the fifth Sunday in May, 1928. Work was planned for the coming year, but as yet the minutes have not been printed. We think Christian Endeavor is very essential to every Church, and that each Church should have a live, working Endeavor Society, so that the young people may give expression to the impression made in Sunday School.

We are glad to report that more of our young people attended the Chautauqua at Bethlehem College this summer than before. We recommend:

1. That each society send delegates to our Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention each year.

2. That each pastor give mor etime to the cause of Christian Endeavor in his Church.

3. That pastors, with representatives from the Christian Endeavor Societies, attend the religious school at Bethlehem College each year.

MRS. MARY MABRY (*Chairman*),
MRS. J. H. ABDELL,
Committee.

Report about Church deeds read by Rev. C. W. Hanson and discussed by Dr. J. O. Atkinson. Report adopted, with the amendment that when the deeds are properly filed the local Church give the deeds back to the Georgia and Alabama Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH DEEDS.

Whereas, J. F. Park conveyed to the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference by a deed dated October 31, 1912, recorded in deed book 13, page 545, records of Troup County, Ga., a tract of land in the city of LaGrange, at the corner of Wilks and Juniper Streets, in said city, and described as follows: "Beginning at the southwest corner of the intersection of Wilks and Juniper Streets and running in a southerly direction along the west line of Juniper Street for a distance of fifty feet, thence in a westerly direction and parallel to Wilks Street for a distance of 150 feet, more or less, to a point half-way between Juniper Street and Park Avenue; thence in a northerly direction 50 feet to Wilks Street; thence in an easterly direction along the south line of Wilks Street to the point of beginning."

And whereas, W. W. Brooks, J. H. Bartlett and L. L. Allen, as trustees of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Southwest LaGrange, Ga., conveyed to the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, of which C. W. Hanson, H. M. Gray and H. W. Elder were named as trustees by a deed dated November 17, 1924, recorded in deed book 28, page 380, records of Troup County, Ga., a tract of land in the city of LaGrange, Troup County, Ga., being known as lot

No. 125 of the Jenkins subdivision of LaGrange, Ga., together with a Church building of said congregation, which was situated on the said lot; and whereas, the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference desires to vest the title to the said properties in the respective trustees of the local congregations and Churches, using and occupying the said premises and which erected the improvements upon the said lots; the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference not having expended any amount for the purchase or improvement of the said properties; and the title to the said properties having been conveyed to the Georgia and Alabama Conference only in accordance with a policy at that time thought desirable;

And whereas, at the 29th annual session of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, held at Egnima Christian Church, Egnima, Ga., on October 4-6, 1927, a motion was duly made and carried by the Conference "That the deeds now held by the conference of the local Churches, be returned to them, in order that Churches may dispose of property as they see fit"; and it is now desired to again ratify this action and give direction as to carrying out this resolution and the execution of such deeds;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, assembled at LaGrange, Ga., on this the 11th day of October, 1928, in the regular annual Conference of the said body, That the said premises be reconveyed to the trustees of the said local congregation and the trustees of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, namely: T. J. Holland, Walter Pierson, O. D. Chadwick, D. S. Hogg, and M. J. Halman, are hereby authorized and instructed to execute deeds in the name and in behalf of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, conveying to W. P. Raby, C. L. Reese and Lee Conner, as trustees of the Hillside Christian Church of LaGrange, the above-described property conveyed by W. W. Brooks and others, as trustees, to the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, being lot No. 125 of the Jenkins subdivision of LaGrange, Ga., and conveying to R. E. L. Golden, M. J. Halman and W. B. Upchurch, as trustees of the First Christian Church of LaGrange, Ga., the above-described property at the corner of Juniper and Wilks Street, in the city of LaGrange, Ga., conveyed by J. F. Park to the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference.

Be it resolved further, That the aforesaid trustees of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all other instruments and to take any and all other steps for and in behalf of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference which may be necessary or proper to vest the title of the said properties in the respective local Churches, as above stated.

I, ..., Clerk of the annual session of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, held at LaGrange, Ga., beginning October ...., 1928, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution regularly and duly adopted by the said Conference at the above-stated session.

This.....day of....., 1928.

.....,

Clerk of Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference.

A motion made that the Georgia and Alabama Conference assume the date of the original Confence of the first Conference of the two States before the division. Motion adopted, with the amendment that the Secretary write to Dr. J. O. Atkinson for the date of the first Conference.

Letter read by Mrs. G. L. Stephens.

By invitation, the next annual session of Georgia and Alabama Conference will meet with Lanett Christian Church, Lanett, Ala., October, 1929.

On motion, Conference adjourned until 7:30 P. M. Benediction by Rev. J. Dollar.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Meeting of Missionary Association.

Devotional by Rev. W. H. Brewer.

Election of officers to Missionary Association: president, Rev. H. W. Elder; vice-president, Rev. C. W. Hanson; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. J. O. Mabry.

Roll called and collection of dues.

Collection of dues from old and new members	$ 52.00
Amount in treasury now	18.00
Total amount in treasury	$ 70.00
Total amount paid out	28.95
Total amount now in treasury	$ 41.05
Amount pledged to treasury	25.95

A free-will offering of $50 was taken for Rev. H. W. Elder.

Address by Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, superintendent of Orphanage.

On motion, the Missionary Association adjourned, to meet with the next annual session of the Georgia and Alabama Conference. Adopted.

Benediction by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional by Rev. A. B. Mann.

Report on moral reform read by Rev. W. C. Carpenter; discussed by W. C. Carpenter. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

When the conduct of men become perfect, then moral reform will become unnecessary. Some of the imperfect practices of men are intemperance, profanity, dishonesty, lying, stealing, disregard for the law, and oath buying and selling the liberty of our fellow-man, immorality, Sabbath desecration, a disregard for the rights of others.

Since the use of intoxicating liquors tends to break down all the moral restraint of man and leave him to follow the desires of his lower nature and render his conduct most imperfect and mnay times dangerous to himself and others; be it resolved, that we will vote in the oncoming election as we preach and pray, doing all that is honorable to secure the defeat of any candidate who is not in favor, by record as well as words, of the eighteenth amendment.

That we go on record as favoring the disfranchisement of any person guilty of buying or selling votes. That any candidate who will not promise under oath that he or she will not buy nor allow to be bought any votes for their election not be allowed to run.

That we endeavor at home, school and Church to teach good citizenship to our children by precept and example. That we see that all of our teaching and practice in all lines harmonize with that of Christ.

Motion that Conference adjourn at noon; discussion by C. L. Reese and T. W. Gray. Motion adopted.

Report on religious literature read by Rev. J. D. Dollar; discussion by J. D. Dollar, Dr. J. O. Atkinson and Miss Pattie Coghill. On motion, report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your Committee on Religious Literature, submit the following report for your consideration:

Realizing the influence which our reading has over our lives, we think that the selection of the right kind of reading-matter should have our very careful consideration. We feel that the Bible is the most important and yet the most neglected Book in our homes. This is a sad and deplorable fact that needs to be changed.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. A more prayerful study of God's word in our homes, for we believe that when our home-life is what it should be, then our Church will go forward.

2. We believe that we have as good Church papers as can be found, and as a Church we cannot do without them; and if they are to continue to do their work they need and must have our hearty support. We, therefore, recommend that our pastors and Churches co-operate with Mr. Johnston, the circulation manager of *The Christian Sun,* in putting the paper in every home connected with our Church.

3. The *Herald of Gospel Liberty* is the oldest religious newspaper in the world today and is one of the best and deserves and should have our hearty support.

4. Our missionary magazines and books for mission-study classes should be used by our people, for we owe support to our own publishing interest. We, therefore, urge our people to support our own publishing house at Dayton, Ohio, for we cannot be as loyal as we ought to be unless we do it.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. DOLLAR,
T. W. GRAY,
A. H. SHEPPARD,
Committee.

Report on superannuation read by Rev. H. W. Gray; discussion by Dr. J. O. Atkinson. Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION.

We, your Committee on Superannuation, recommend that each local Church of the Georgia and Alabama Conference raise their Conference apportionment in full each year, for out of this fund our superannuated preachers and their widows get their aid; and they do not get enough to do much good; we ought to pay them double what we are paying them. Let all of us wake up on this line and see to it that we pay our Conference apportionment each year.

We recommend that Rev. H. W. Elder be continued on the superannuated list. REV. H. M. GRAY.

On motion, Rev. J. H. Dollar was invited to be seated as deliberative member.

Report on education read by Rev. A. H. Sheppherd; discussion by Prof. S. L. Beougher. Report adopted.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Christian education needs added emphasis in this age of thought. If education is to meet the practical test, religion must occupy its necessary place. Christian education is essential in the progress of Christian civilization.

What is the aim of Christian education? The answer: To train the mind and heart and to increase Bible reading and study. Christian education aims also to adjust the young life so that they can serve more efficiently. All public education should be Christianized.

There is a growing sentiment that Christian education be propagated among all Christian peoples; all religious bodies have provided space on their programs for the consideration of religion in education.

The Southern Christian Convention, with its various Conferences, has always insisted that religion and education cannot be divorced. To this end, the Southern Christian Convention has founded Elon College and Piedmont Junior College (formerly Bethlehem College) and apportioned out of the $25,000 budget for Convention obligations $12,750. Seven hundred and fifty dollars should be raised of this amount to pay the interest on the $12,500 note made to Bethlehem College by the Convention. Out of the benevolent budget, which goal was set at $113,500, $34,000 is to be raised annually for the colleges, Bethlehem College to receive $10,000.

The Convention voted at the last session that the colleges have quarterly Sunday School offerings and access to individuals at any time and individual collections to be made at any time by the presidents of the two colleges. The Convention authorized the raising of $10,000 annually for the current operating expenses and solicitation of funds to complete the new building and liquidate the indebtedness, a total of $50,000, and approved of the raising of $250,000 for endowment. The co-operative plan with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., was also approved in principal by the Convention. Since the Concention, the affiliation with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., which has to do with the educational end of the institution, has been effected. Through this affiliation, the name of the institution has been changed to Piedmont Junior College and the institution is receiving full credit for work done with all other institutions. This is a decided advantage to this institution in standardizing the work and securing students and funds for the school.

The report has gone out, through not knowing the facts, that the institution had merged financially with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., and that the Convention, through its various Conferences, had no longer any financial obligation to the institution. But this is a mistake, for while the institution has changed its name, the charter, deed or by-laws have not been changed. The property, so far as its relation to the Convention, remains the same. It is still a Convention asset, and a liability. However, the board of trustees of Piedmont Junior College is highly in favor of a complete merger just as soon as the two denominations are organized in a complete union and the details can be worked out. While the educational end of the institution is affiliated with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., our financial plan remains the same, and we have to completely provide for the financial end of the institution.

Since the convening of the Southern Christian Convention, the board of trustees of Piedmont Junior College have launched a campaign in harmony with what was voted by the Convention, attempting to raise $50,000 for the institution. About $15,000 of this has already been provided for on a five-year basis, but

since Piedmont Junior College will have to have $15,000 annually for the running expense of the school, we have decided on another plan which was also provided for by the Convention; that is, to raise the interest on $250,000 endowment. To this end, we have issued endowment certificates which represent a certain principal amount; the individual will agree to pay the interest on over a certain period of years, say ten years. We are just starting this part of the campaign, and it seems to be meeting the approval of the best supporters of the institution. Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That this Conference approve of the affiliation of Piedmont Junior College with Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., as it now stands, looking to a still closer affiliation when the details of union can be thoroughly worked out for the united body.

2. That the Conference approve of the college using any method among the constituency of the Georgia and Alabama Conference to raise the apportionate part of the interest on $250,000 that the Convention has provided for in its report adopted for Bethlehem College.

3. That the Conference raise one hundred dollars with the understanding that they attempt to do so over a period of years that we may agree upon, which will be the interest at 5 per cent on the principal sum of endowment of $2,000.

4. That we approve of the president or financial agent of Piedmont Junior College raising from among our membership not less than one dollar per member, which would amount to $1,565 the reported membership for the year, which would represent a principal of $32,100 at 5 per cent interest.

5. That we show our appreciation for the institution by giving of our substance and sending our boys and girls to the institution for their first two years of college work.

6. That we recommend that E. J. Eastwood, A. B. Mann, C. L. Reese, Vinson Reese, W. D. Wilkerson, W. W. Willingham, E. B. Smith and H. R. Hand be extended license for another year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. SHEPPARD,
W. C. CARPENTER,
T. W. GRAY,
Committee.

Report on publicity by Rev. W. C. Carpenter. Adopted.

Report on resolutions read by Rev. J. D. Dollar. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, ask leave to submit the following report:

Resolved, That we express by a rising vote our sincere thanks to our President and Secretary and Treasurer for their faithful and untiring services not only while this body has been in session but throughout the year that's closing, and that we express in the same manner our sincere appreciation to Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, Miss Pattie Coghill, and to all our assisting brethren for their helpful deliberations and the inspiration of their presence with us; and to this Church and community and to their faithful pastor for the royal manner in which they have entertained us while in their midst.

J. D. DOLLAR,
W. H. BREWER,
Committee.

On motion, Mr. M. J. Hollman was elected as trustee of Conference for five years.

A resolution was read by Rev. Veazey, of the Alabama Conference, that the ministers and laymen of the Georgia and Alabama and Alabama Conferences have an association. Resolution adopted.

A RECOMMENDATION.

That we hold within the bounds of this Conference a preachers' and laymen's conference every fifth Sunday.

1. That there be a committee appointed at this Conference who shall be responsible for the place of meeting, and also the program. The majority of this committee shall be laymen.

2. That there shall be a permanent organization formed at the first regular meeting.

3. That the program may be from time to time on any vital subject concerning the best interest of the kingdom.

4. That any Church desiring said meeting shall make it known to this committee at once.

5. Provided the Georgia and Alabama Conference approve of this movement and want to join in with us, they may do so on equal basis, and one meeting shall be within our Conference and one within their Conference.

Rev. J. D. Dollar was appointed as committee from Georgia and Alabama Conference to help make the arrangement for first session.

Report on apportionments read by Rev. W. C. Carpenter. Report adopted, with the amendment that the Church appraisments be the same as last year.

Report on nominations read by A. H. Sheppherd. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, wish to recommend the following names for the Home Mission Board: Rev. J. D. Dollar (4 years), Mr. John Floyd, Rev. C. W. Hanson, Mr. G. F. Partridge (2 years).

We wish to renominate Mr. M. J. Hallman, whose term has expired as trustee of the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conference, for five years; that we nominate Rev H. M. Gray, C. W. Hanson, A. B. Mann as delegates to the Alabama Christian Conference which will meet at First Christian Church, Roanoke, Ala., on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. SHEPPARD,
A. B. MANN,
Committee.

Letter read by Rev. W. C. Carpenter from Dr. Barrett.

Appointment of standing committees.

Executive—Rev. H. M. Gray, J. D. Dollar, C. W. Hanson.
Education—A. H. Sheppherd, W. C. Carpenter, T. W. Gray.
Foreign Missions—T. W. Gray, T. J. Dean, H. T. Gray.
Sunday School and C. E.—W. C. Carpenter, W. H. Brewer, Mrs. J. O. Mabry.
Moral Reform—W. C. Carpenter, C. L. Reese, W. H. Brewer.
Religious Literature—J. D. Dollar, T. W. Gray, A. H. Sheppherd.
Superannuation—H. M. Gray, W. C. Carpenter, C. W. Hanson.

Our Home Mission Committee was converted into a Home Mission Board—Rev. H. M. Gray, Rev. J. D. Dollar, John Floyd, Rev. C. W. Hanson, G. F. Partridge.

Report of Treasurer was read by Mr. H. B. Floyd. On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the minutes are to be published in THE ANNUAL and sold to the different Churches.

On motion, all bills against Conference were voted to be paid.

By invitation, the Sunday School and Christian Convention will meet with the Richland Christian Church.

A subscription was taken to replace the money taken from the missionary for Bro. Elder.

A pledge of $100 was taken for Piedmont Junior College.

On motion, the business session of the Conference will be closed until next annual session of Conference at Lanett Christia Church, Tuesday after the first Sunday in October.

Devotional by Rev. W. C. Carpenter. Final adjournment.

REV. H. M. GRAY, *President.*
MRS. J. O. MABRY, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

W. H. Brewer—Church: Beulah. Sermons, 45; funerals, 2; members received, 2; pastoral visits, 50. Salary, $44.25.

W. C. Carpenter—Churches: Ambrose, Vanceville, Enigma. Sermons, 91; addresses, 10; member received, 1; pastoral visits, 100; marriages, 4. Salary, $525.23.

W. T. Crowder—Sermons preached, 15; pastoral calls, 25; marriages, 6.

T. J. Dean—Church: Beulah, till July, 1928. Sermons, 75; marriages, 2; address, 1; pastoral calls, 75; funerals, 4. Salary, $163.11.

J. D. Dollar—Churches: Lanett and Richland. Sermons, 107; several addresses; members received, 49; baptisms, 22; pastoral calls, 470; marriages, 4; funerals, 28. Salary, $1,812.75.

H. W. Elder—Not able to do work. Received $804.

H. M. Gray—Churches: Rose Hill, Richland, Oak Grove, Union. Sermons, 178; addresses, 2; members received, 20; pastoral calls, 100; funerals, 4. Salary, $1,260.

H. T. Gray—Church: East LaGrange. Sermons, 42; addresses, 8; members received, 7; baptism, 1; pastoral calls, 80; marriage, 1; funeral, 1. Salary, $175.

T. W. Gray—Church: Covers Grove. Sermons, 35; addresses, 4; pastoral calls, 20; marriage, 1; funerals, 3. Salary, $85.

C. W. Hanson—Churches: First, LaGrange; Hillside. Sermons, 130; addresses, 16; members received, 56; baptisms, 24; pastoral calls, 250; marriages, 20; funerals, 30. Salary, $1,510.

A. H. Sheppard—Church: North Highland. Sermons, 94; addresses, 3; members received, 2; pastoral calls, about 400; marriage, 1; funerals, 5. Salary, $421.55.

LICENTIATES.

E. J. Easterwood—Sermons preached, 6; addresses, 2.

H. R. Heard—Sermons preached, 28.

A. B. Mann—Church: Shady Grove. Sermons, 23; addresses, 4; members received, 1; pastoral calls, 67. Salary, $61.72.

C. L. Reese—Southwest LaGrange. Sermons, 12.

Vinson Reese—Sermons preached, 2.

E. B. Smith—Sermons preached, 13.

W. D. Wilkins—Sermons preached, 46; addresses, 4; pastoral calls, 57; funerals, 3.

W. W. Willingham—Sermons preached, 12; addresses, 3; pastoral calls, 20.

Church Statistics—Georgia and Alabama Conference.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionment.	Amount Paid on Apportionment.	All Benevolences.	Pastor's Salary.	Buildings and Equipment.	All Other Expenses.	TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.
Ambrose	W. C. Carpenter	Henry Vickers, Ambrose, Ga.	42	43	$ 55.00	$ 40.00	$ 14.00	$ 300.00	.....	$ 43.87	$ 397.87	$ 10,000
Beulah	A. H. Sheppherd	Mrs. Jettie Gallman, R. 1, Phenix, Ala.	92	87	45.00	29.00	.....	210.00	.....	62.80	301.80	2,000
North Highland	A. H. Sheppherd	W. W. Willingham, 1336 4th St., Phenix, Ala.	99	99	45.00	16.50	.....	380.55	$ 25.00	116.10	538.15	.....
East LaGrange	H. T. Gray	W. J. Smith, 206 Addie St., LaGrange, Ga.	62	48	35.00	2.00	.....	175.00	10.00	34.00	221.00	3,000
Lanett	J. D. Dollar	Mrs. T. F. Roquenare, Lanett, Ala.	239	280	160.00	160.00	308.00	1700.00	105.00	146.00	2,419.00	18,000
Oak Grove	C. W. Hanson	H. B. Floyd, Chipley, Ga.	188	185	110.00	20.00	95.00	200.00	.....	.....	415.00	4,000
Hill Side	H. M. Gray	Vinson Ruse, 1413 Elm St., LaGrange, Ga.	220	134	50.00	21.00	.....	154.00	11.88	49.35	236.23	3,000
Richland	.....	J. C. Tatum, Richland, Ga.	43	44	50.00	50.00	162.00	310.00	.....	148.00	675.00	12,000
Enigma	W. C. Carpenter	L. D. Abell, Enigma, Ga.	50	50	55.00	6.00	16.66	90.00	60.00	.....	172.66	1,000
First, LaGrange	C. W. Hanson	R. Whaley, 529 Parham St., LaGrange, Ga.	500	399	160.00	.....	.....	930.00	9000.00	1363.00	11,293.00	18,500
Vanceville	W. C. Carpenter	A. J Hand, R. 5, Tifton, Ga.	72	67	55.00	35.00	.....	134.30	.....	12.00	181.30	2,500
Rose Hill	H. M. Gray	Lucicle Short, 1050 28th St., Columbus, Ga.	35	49	40.00	20.00	.....	600.00	233.90	245.00	1,198.90	17,000
Union	H. M. Gray	J. B. Westbrook, Lumpkin, Ga.	22	21	20.00	.....	.....	50.00	.....	91.30	141.30	1,000
Totals	.....	.....	1664	1506	$ 880.00	$ 399.50	$ 595.66	$5129.85	$9445.78	$2411.42	$18,191.28	$ 92,000

Sunday School Statistics—Georgia and Alabama Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised during Year.
Lanett	C. R. Rutledge, Lanett, Ala	12	220	$ 241.19
Beulah	(No Report)			
East LaGrange	W. J. Jarriet, Alexander St., LaGrange, Ga.	7	48	46.00
Vanceville	L. M. Veazy, Tifton, Ga	7	77	88.70
Richland	D. S. Hogg, Richland, Ga	5	30	92.38
Union	J. B. Westbrook, Lumpkin, Ga	5	52	91.30
Enigma	(No Report)			
Rose Hill	J. T. Haughton, 2901 1st. Ave, Columbus	9	38	36.03
Oak Grove	Robert Hadnette, Chipley, Ga	9	40	34.00
North Highland	W. W. Willingham, Phenix, Ala	12	200	116.10
Ambrose	T. J. Holland, Ambrose, Ga	5	26	41.22
First LaGrange	Roy Whaley, 529 Park Ave., LaGrange, Ga.	8	175	108.26
Hill Side	Luther Cooper, 520 Jefferson St., LaGrange.	7	200	57.35
Totals		86	1,106	$ 952.53

Summary of Conference Statistics—Southern Christian Convention.

NAME OF CONFERENCE.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Paid on Conference Apportionments.	Amount Raised for Missions.	All Other Benevolences.	Amount Paid on Pastors' Salaries.	Amount Spent on Buildings.	Amount Paid for Other Purposes.	Total Amount Raised during Year.	Value of Church Property.
Virginia Valley Central Conference: B. J. Earp, President, Winchester, Va. A. W. Andes, Secty., Harrisonburg, Va.	2,384	2,511	$ 1,985.00	$ 1,781.28	$ 783.40	$ 320.23	$ 5,744.84	$ 4,713.36	$ 1,592.22	$ 14,935.33	$ 88,834.00
Alabama Conference: G. D. Hunt, Pres., Wadley, Ala. G. H. Veazey, Secty., Roanoke, Ala.	2,162	2,115	1,295.00	734.74	97.61	328.88	3,230.45	.....	2,589.34	6,995.02	41,700.00
Eastern Virginia Conference: H. S. Hardcastle, Pres., Suffolk, Va. I. W. Johnson, Secty., Suffolk, Va.	10,475	10,504	11,215.00	9,317.90	13,722.00	9,907.00	47,462.00	216,274.00	61,152.00	357,044.90	1,383,950.00
North Carolina and Virginia Conference: C. H. Rowland, Pres., Greensboro, N. C. S. C. Harrell, Secty., Durham, N. C.	6,287	6,214	8,350.00	4,338.07	2,949.84	4,880.23	18,551.52	18,083.78	14,606.10	63,409.54	258,670.00
Eastern North Carolina Conference: Geo. T. Whitaker, Pres., Franklinton, N. C. W. C. Wicker, Secty., Elon College, N. C.	4,632	4,488	4,650.00	1,981.63	.....	.....	8,666.00	.....	5,901.75	15,988.10	95,700.00
Western North Carolina Conference: G. O. Lankford, Pres., Burlington, N. C. J. H. Harden, Secty., Graham, N. C.	3,289	3,460	2,805.00	1,456.52	1,153.82	1,581.53	8,233.87	1,490.32	6,437.05	20,343.17	163,305.00
Georgia and Alabama Conference: H. M. Gray, Pres., Lanett, Ala. Mrs. J. O. Mabry, Secty., West Point, Ga.	1,664	1,506	880.00	399.50	.....	595.66	5,129.85	9,445.78	2,411.42	18,191.28	92,000.00
Totals	30,893	30,798	$31,180.00	$20,009.64	$18,706.67	$17,613.53	$97,018.53	$ 250,007.24	$94,689.88	$ 496,907.34	$ 2,124,159.00

Minutes of the Thirty-Seventh Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Missionary Association

SUFFOLK CHRISTIAN CHURCH—DECEMBER 4, 1928.

MORNING SESSION

Called to order at 10:40 by Rev. O. D. Poythress. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Garman. Address of welcome by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, pastor of the entertaining Church. Response by Rev. T. N. Lowe.

The following answered, with their dues, to the roll-call:

Berea (*Nansemond*)—Church, $10; Sunday School, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10; Men's Bible Class, $10; Women's Bible Class, $10; R. B. Odom, $10; Mrs. W. J. Lee, $10; W. J. Lee estate, $10; Mrs. H. B. Harrell, $5; Mrs. R. B. Odom, $5—total, $90.

Berea (*Norfolk*)—Sunday School, $10; Adult Bible Class No. 1, $10; M. W. Hollowell, $10—total, $30.

Bethlehem—Senior Girl's Bible Class, $10; Young Men's Bible Class, $10; Star Bible Class, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10—total, $40.

Christian Temple—Church, $10; Sunday School, mission treasurer, $10; Sunday School, $10; Templemen's Class, $10; Twiddy Class, $10; Dorcas Class, $10; Missionary Society, $10; T. E. Brickhouse, $10; Dr. J. W. Manning, $10; A. M. Johnson, $10; L. E. Smith, $10; mission treasurer, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10; Mrs. T. E. Brickhouse, $5; Mrs. E. Papezean, $5; Mrs. J. E. Harrell, $5; Mrs. W. H. Martin, $5; Mrs. L. E. Smith, $5; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, $5 Mrs. J. A. Eley, $5; Mrs. Mattie Savage, $5—total, $170.

Elm Avenue (*Portsmouth*)—Men's Bible Class, $10; Mrs. Porter's Class, $10; Missionary Society, $10; Sunday School, $10; Rev. T. N. Lowe, $10; Mr. J. W. Felton, $10; Mrs. J. W. Felton, $5; Ladies' Aid, $10—total, $75.

First (*Norfolk*)—Rev. J. E. McCauley, $10; Geo. H. Fry, $10; Mrs. Geo. H. Fry, $10; Friend's (women's) Bible Class, $10—total, $40.

First (*Portsmouth*)—Rev. H. C. Caviness, $10; Church, $10; Sunday School, $10; Men's Class, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10; Junior C. E., $10; C. J. Heath, $10; C. F. Rudd, $10; J. C. Ellis, $10; Mrs. Elizabeth Ethridge, $10; Woman's Missionary Society, $10; Mrs. M. S. Coles, $5; Mrs. C. F. Rudd, $5; Mrs. C. J. Heath, $5; Mrs. S. P. Gort, $5; Miss Caroline Gort, $5; Miss Ruth Curling, $5; Mrs. M. L. Parker, $5; Mrs. H. C. Caviness (for 1927 only), $5; Miss Eugenia Peel, $5; J. T. Brothers, $10; Y. P. Mission, $10; Mrs. C. J. Ellis, $5—total, $180.

First (*Richmond*)—Young Ladies' S. S. Class, $10—total, $10.

Franklin—Mrs. J. B. Gay, $5; Miss Hontas Rawls, $5; Mrs. E. P. Jones, $5; Louise Jones, $5; Mrs. J. B. Vaughan, $5; Mrs. J. A. Williams, $5; Miss Mary Lee Williams, $5; Miss Dowly Williams, $5; Rev. J. W. Fix, $10; Mr.

J. A. Williams, $10; Norfleet Bible Class, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10; Sunday School, $10; Berta Rowland Bible Class, $10; Mr. L. R. Jones, $10—total, $110.

Holland—Church, $10; W. J. Holland, $10; Mrs. W. J. Holland, $5; Bible Class No. 1, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10; J. P. Dalton, $10; Dr. J. G. Holland, $10; Mrs. J. G. Holland, $5; Brotherhood Class, $10; Berta Rowland Society, $10; Mrs. G. C. Holland, $5; Mrs. J. T. Jones, $5; Mrs. R. T. Ridel, $5; A. J. Jolly, $10; Mrs. A. J. Jolly, $5; Rev. W. C. Hook, $10; Mrs. J. R. Jones, $10; Woman's Missionary Society, $10—total, $140.

Holy Neck—Philathea Class, $10; Mr. B. D. Jones, $10; Mrs. B. D. Jones, $5; Baracca Class, $10; Church, $10; First Bible Class, $10; R. C. Norfleet, $10; J. T. Rawls, $10; Mrs. J. T. Rawls, $5; Dr. N. G. Newman, $10; Mrs. H. L. Worl, $5; E. T. Holland, $10; Y. P. Class, $10; Mrs. E. T. Holland, $5; Mrs. S. R. B. Howell, $5; Mission Society, $10; Mrs. J. J. Gummer, $5; Oberry Class, $10; Mrs. C. A. Piland, $5; Church Society, $10; Mrs. J. K. Jones, $5—total, $170.

Liberty Springs—Rev. I. W. Johnson, $10; Sunday School, $10; Mrs. E. B. Rawls, $5; Mrs. H. E. Savage, $5; Mrs. F. F. Brinkley, $5; Baraca Class, $10; Philathea Class, $10; Y. P. Class, $10; I. T. Byrd, $10; Church, $10; Joel E. Harrell, $10; Mrs. Joel E. Harrell, $5—total, $100.

Newport News—J. T. Irby, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10; Missionary Society, $10; Sunday School, $10; R. L. Baker, $10; Mrs. R. L. Baker, $5; Ladies' Bible Class, $10; Rev. M. F. Allen, $10; W. L. Rillie, $10; Mrs. F. W. Vaughan, $5; Caleb West, $10; Mrs. W. B. Baker, $5; Mrs. D. H. Lawson, $5; Church, $20; C. D. West, $10; Miss Joy Hyatte, $5; Men's Bible Class, $10; Choir, $10; Mrs. M. F. Allen, $5; Y. P. Society, $10—total, $180.

Oakland—Sunday School, $10—total, $10.

Ocean View—Church, $15—total, $15.

Rosemont—Men's Bible Class, $10; J. F. Morgan, $10; Mrs. B. F. Gibson, $5—total, $25.

South Norfolk—Rev. O. D. Poythress, $10; Ladies' Aid, $10; Friendship Bible Class, $10; Y. P. Auxiliary, $10; Sunday School, $10; Ladies' Bible Class, $10; Live Wire Class, $5—total, $65.

Suffolk—Sunday School, $20; Ladies' Benevolent and Social Union, $20; Philathea Class, $20; Church, $10; Woman's H. & F. Missionary Society, $10; Baraca Class, $10; Junior Philathea, $10; Girls' Missionary Society, $10; Aiming High Class, $10; Home Department, $10; Maria Truitt Bible Class, $15; J. E. West, $10; G. W. Truitt, $10; E. E. Holland, $10; C. A. Shoop, $10; O. S. Smith, Sr., $10; B. D. Crocker, $10; Dr. J. E. Rawls, $10; J. E. Vincent, $10; H. H. Holland, $10; W. S. Beamon, $10; Lewis G. Brothers, $10; Dr. W. W. Staley, $10; Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, $10; Walter C. Rawles, $10; Mrs. M. C. Riddick, $10; Mrs. B. D. Crocker, $5; Mrs. J. D. Luke, $5; Mrs. I. W. Johnson, $5; Miss Susie Holland, $5; Mrs. A. T. Holland, $5; Mrs. G. W. Nurney, $5; Mrs. J. M. Darden, $5; Mrs. C. B. Duke, $5; Mrs. A. D. Brinkley, $5; Mrs. Bessie Creekmore, $5; Mrs. J. D. MacClenny, $5; Miss Margaret West, $5; Miss Jamie Felton, $5; Mrs. Annie S. Calhoun, $5; Mrs. J. T. Williams, $5; Mrs. W. H. Jones, $5; Mrs. Ella F. Rawles, $5; Thompson T. Rawles, $5; Mrs. W. V. Leathers, $5; Walter C. Rawles, Jr., $5—total, $360.

Waverly—Victor Bible Class, $10; Acorn Bible Class, $10; Sunday School, $10; Rev. F. C. Lester, $10; Church, $10—total, $50.

Windsor—Rev. W. D. Harward, $10; Mrs. M. S. Person, $5; Mrs. J. W. Roberts, $5—total, $20.

The President announced the following special committees:

Nominations—Rev. H. C. Caviness, Dr. L. E. Smith, E. T. Holland.
Resolutions—Rev. W. C. Hook, Rev. J. W. Fix, C. D. West.

Finance—Rev. F. C. Lester, Rev. J. W. Fix, M. W. Hollowell.
Place of Meeting—Revs. J. E. McCauley and W. H. Garman.

A talk around, "Where Shall We Build Our Next Church?" led by Rev. W. C. Hook. This was a most helpful discussion.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2 o'clock by Dr. L. E. Smith, who presided in the absence of the President, who was called away for a funeral.

Devotional service conducted by Dr. L. E. Smith.

Address, "Building and Developing a Church," by Rev. H. C. Caviness, pastor First Christian Church, Portsmouth, Va.

The roll of members was called by the Financial Secretary, which showed a total amount collected today of $1,810.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLANS.

We recommend the following appropriations: First Church, Portsmouth, $480; Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, $150; Christian Temple, $1,250, making $7,450 on the $10,000 promised the Temple.

We deem it inadvisable at this time to enter new fields.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. WEST,
MRS. L. W. STAGG,
C. J. HEATH,
R. B. ODOM,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Committee on Plans consider the matter of group insurance for ministers of the Eastern Virginia Conference, in conjunction with the Board of Superannuation and the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention, and report their findings to the next session of this body.

It was moved and carried that we meet next year with Old Zion Christian Church, Norfolk, Va.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That this association hereby declare the month of November to be "Christian Missionary Association Month."

That in furtherance of such proclamation, the President shall today, and annually hereafter, appoint a committee of five, known as membership campaign committee, whose duty it shall be to visit, or cause to be visited, every Church in the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference during the month of November. This committee shall endeavor to organize in each Church a special Missionary Association committee, whose duty it shall be to keep alive interest in the association throughout the year, especially to secure renewals and new memberships for the annual meeting of this association.

Resolved, That we express our sincere appreciation to Mrs. H. R. Brinkley for secretarial services rendered during the meeting of this association.

Resolved, That we hereby express our most sincere thanks to the Suffolk Christian Church for its cordiality in its entertainment of this association today.

W. C. HOOK,
C. D. WEST,
H. C. CAVINESS,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that we provide a banner for the Church having the largest attendance at next year's meeting of the C. M. A.

It was moved and carried that the minutes be printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, paying for same if necessary.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

For President, Rev. O. D. Poythress; Vice-President, Rev. J. W. Fix; Secretary, J. F. Morgan; Financial Secretary, Rev. J. E. McCauley; Treasurer, B. D. Jones.

H. C. CAVINESS,
L. E. SMITH,
E. T. HOLLAND,
Committee.

The report was adopted and the persons named therein made the officers of the Association.

It was moved and carried that the President appoint the standing committees at once.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1927.			
Dec. 5.	Balance in bank		$ 56.78
9.	Deposit		1,780.00
13.	Deposit, Mrs. L. A. Peland		5.00
16.	Deposit, J. H. Fry		10.00
20.	Deposit, Greater Norfolk S. S. Conference, 3 memberships		30.00
	Deposit, Holy Neck Missionary Society		10.00
1928.			
Jan. 5.	Deposit, Walter C. Rawles, wife and boy		20.00
Feb. 11.	Deposit, Olive Branch Class, Holland		10.00
	Total		$1,921.78

DISBURSEMENTS.

1927.			
Dec. 22.	Paid C. J. Heath, Portsmouth Church	$480.00	
	Paid J. W. Felton, Elm Avenue Church	150.00	
	Paid C. D. West	250.00	
	Paid O. D. Poythress, South Norfolk	100.00	
	Paid Dr. L. E. Smith, Christian Temple	850.00	
	Dr. J. G. Truitt	4.35	
1928.			
Dec. 3.	Balance in bank	87.43	
			$1,921.78

B. D. JONES,
Treasurer.

The following new members for next year were enrolled:

NEW MEMBERS ENROLLED.

Old Zion Church, Norfolk, Va.—Ladies' Bible Class, $10; Men's Bible Class, $10; Morning Star Bible Class, $10; Pastor's Aid Society, $10.

Oakland Christian Church.—Bible Class, $10; I. W. Johnson Bible Class, $10.

Holy Neck Church.—J. T. Harrell, $10.

Union, Southampton.—Church, $10; Paul Heflin Allen, care Rev. M. F. Allen, $5.

Moved and carried that the reading of minutes be suspended.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

Plans—Col. J. E. West, R. B. Odom, C. J. Heath, Mrs. L. W. Stagg, E. T. Holland.

Field—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Rev. J. E. McCauley, J. W. Felton, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Rev. T. N. Lowe.

Finance—Rev. J. E. McCauley, M. W. Hollowell, Rev. J. W. Fix, Rev. I. W. Johnson.

Executive—Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. J. W. Fix, B. D. Jones, J. F. Morgan, Rev. J. E. McCauley.

Program—Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. W. H. Garman, J. F. Morgan.

Membership Campaign—Dr. L. E. Smith, C. D. West, Mrs. E. T. Holland, Rev. W. H. Garman, Dr. W. W. Staley.

The association adjourned, to meet at Old Zion Church, Norfolk, on Tuesday following the first Sunday in December, 1929.

Benediction by Rev. W. C. Hook.

O. D. POYTHRESS, *President.*
J. F. MORGAN, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Sixteenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference

SUFFOLK CHRISTIAN CHURCH—OCTOBER 26, 1928.

MORNING SESSION.

The Sixteenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference convened at the Suffolk Christian Church, October 26, 1928, at 10 o'clock, Mrs. M. L. Bryant, President, presiding. Prayer by Mrs. M. J. W. White. Dr. E. L. Pell conducted the quiet hour.

The district superintendents reported as follows:

Franklin—Mrs, W. D. Harward: societies, 13; members, 348; offering, $935.55.

Nansemond—Mrs. B. D. Jones: societies, 33; members, 384; offering, $3,423.

Waverly—Mrs. O. M. Cockes: societies, 15; members, 226; offering, $1,150.85.

Norfolk—Mrs. H. C. Caviness: societies, 25; members, 617; offering, $2,139.60.

*Totals: societies, 86; members, 1,575; offering, $7,649.

Six new societies in Norfolk District.

Report of departmental superintendents as follows:

Cradle Roll—Mrs. E. P. Jones: members, 319; offering, $138.18.

Young People—Mrs. R. T. Bradford: members, 776; offering, $2,-404.76.

Conference Editor—Mrs. J. W. Fix presented her department and requested each society to send her news items for publication once each quarter.

Literature—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright spoke on the new study books and missionary material for the year.

Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. H. Andrews: 345 pledges of prayer bands, family altars and tithers; an increase of 66 over last year.

Life Membership and Memorial Certificates—Mrs. M. J. W. White, superintendent of this department for the S. C. C., told of the plan to work this department through each Conference.

*The difference in the reports of the District Superintendents and the Treasurer is caused by the latter being made up later, which gives the membership as follows: Women, 903; Young People, 510; Willing Workers, 254; Cradle Roll, 319; Total, 1,986.

President's message, "Looking from Our Peaks."

Roll call showed an attendance of 450 visitors and delegates, 15 ministers, and 31 Churches represented.

Lieutenant-Governor J. E. West was introduced and spoke on the interest manifested by the women of this Conference in missions.

Vocal duet, "Love Divine," Mrs. Clarence Harrell, W. W. Ballard.

Address, "Looking at China," Rev. O. V. Armstrong.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Report of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Board, Eastern Virginia Conference, for the year closing December 12, 1928:

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	$ 100.34	Isle of Wight	54.50
Berea, Nansemond	183.05	Liberty Spring	181.15
Berea, Norfolk	20.40	Mt. Carmel	83.56
Bethlehem	145.85	Newport News	113.95
Christian Temple	457.88	Oakland	72.00
Cypress Chapel	80.80	Portsmouth	89.87
Damascus	80.55	Richmond	111.45
Dendron	112.15	Rosemont	218.20
Dover	348.45	South Norfolk	73.40
Elm Avenue	56.00	Suffolk	977.85
First, Norfolk	149.60	Wakefield	109.00
Franklin	251.80	Waverly	141.00
Holland	219.30	Windsor	121.45
Holy Neck	221.33		
Hopewell	6.65	Total	$4,681.53

WILLING WORKERS' SOCIETIES.

Berea, Nansemond	$ 30.00	Portsmouth	16.10
Bethlehem	32.00	Rosemont	16.50
Christian Temple	55.00	Suffolk	87.50
Cypress Chapel	15.00	Newport News	29.59
First, Norfolk	67.00	Windsor	24.60
Franklin	85.50	Waverly	11.12
Holland	62.61	Elm Avenue	2.00
Holy Neck	57.40	Spring Hill	2.00
Liberty Spring	25.00		
Mt. Carmel	11.70	Total	$ 630.62

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Berea, Nansemond	$ 100.00	Liberty Spring	77.80
Bethlehem	98.70	New Lebanon	52.60
Burton's Grove	26.50	Newport News	43.05
Christian Temple	115.34	Rosemont	34.00
Damascus	10.00	Spring Hill	15.00
Dover	75.00	Suffolk	390.95
First, Norfolk	72.00	South Norfolk	25.00
First, Portsmouth	64.00	Union, Surry	32.90
Franklin	135.00	Waverly	120.00
Holland (Berta Rowland)	145.15	Windsor	40.00
Holland (Barrett)	40.60		
Holy Neck	65.60	Total	$1,778.59

CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.

Antioch	$ 3.00	Newport News	12.00
Berea, Nansemond	9.75	Richmond	2.32
Bethlehem	4.25	Rosemont	8.25
Christian Temple	10.50	Portsmouth	1.45
Damascus	12.68	Suffolk	4.25
Franklin	20.00	Union, Southampton	4.00
First, Norfolk	2.50	Windsor	2.40
Holland	5.00	Hopewell	1.35
Holy Neck	22.05		
Liberty Spring	9.38	Total	$ 135.13

SUMMARY.

Women's Societies	$4,681.53
Young People's Societies	1,778.69
Willing Workers' Societies	630.62
Cradle Roll Societies	135.13
Rally offerings	60.18
Suffolk Sunday School (Kitano's salary)	240.00
D. V. B. School, Franklin (auto)	31.51
Intermediate and Junior Depts., Suffolk Sunday School (auto)	16.00
Ladies' Aid Society, Isle of Wight (auto)	10.00
Ladies' Aid Society, Newport News (auto)	5.00
Dr. J. O. Atkinson (auto)	5.00
Junior Sunday School Class, Waverly	3.00
Refund on literature	31.42
Offering taken at annual meeting	87.32
Total receipts	$7,715.40
Balance brought forward from last year	470.52
	$8,185.92

Disbursements.

To Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer S. C. C.:

First quarter	$ 843.67	
Second quarter	1,775.58	
Second quarter (extra)	53.00	
Third quarter	1,188.53	
Fourth quarter	3,611.77	
B. D. Jones, treasurer C. M A.	60.00	
West & Withers, premium on bond	15.00	
Attendance banner	7.00	
Delegates' expenses to summer school of missions	62.20	
Speakers for conferences, rallies, and auto license	77.75	
Literature, including study books for 1927 Conference	35.49	
Printing, stationery, programs, etc	76.55	
Officers' expense items	100.50	
		7,907.04
Cash in Farmers Bank of Nansemond December 12, 1928		$ 278.88

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. V. LEATHERS,
Treasurer,

At the request of Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Treasurer Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference, I beg to hereby certify that she has on deposit in the

Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., the balance as shown by this report to her credit.

A. H. HARGROVE,
Assistant Cashier.

The chair appointed committees as follows:

Nominations—Mrs. J. F. Morgan, Mrs. E. L. Beale.
Resolutions—Mrs. J. M. Rabey, Mrs. J. G. Holland, Mrs. J. E. Corbitt.
Place of Meeting—Mrs. J. A. Williams, Mrs. A. M. Johnson.

An offering of $87.32 was taken for the Barrett auto fund.

Just at this time a cablegram was received from the Barretts in Porto Rico and was read by the President.

Prayer by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2:30. Devotional service led by Mrs. E. L. Beale.

Address, "As I Look at Korea," Mrs. Sue Smith.

Vocal solo, Mrs. Telza Smith.

Mr. J. M. Darden, Assistant Secretary of Missions, was introduced and spoke of the additional $45,000 the S. C. C. is to raise this year.

Address, "Roads to the City of God," Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Banners presented by Rev. J. E. McCauley as follows: Women, Christian Temple; Young People, Waverly; Willing Workers, Suffolk; Cradle Roll, Holy Neck.

Special banner for attendance was awarded the Holy Neck Young People's Society.

Honorable mention: Women—First (Portsmouth), Richmond, Waverly, Holy Neck. Young People—Suffolk and Rosemont. Willing Workers—First (Norfolk), Christian Temple and Holy Neck. For special banner—Women, Waverly and South Norfolk; Young People, Rosemont; Willing Workers, Suffolk; Cradle Roll, Franklin.

The following recommendations were read and adopted as a whole:

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That the goal for the year be $7,000, divided as follows: The Women's special to be foreign for Japan, and home to be divided between Raleigh and Richmond Churches. The Young People and Willing Workers will continue the support of the mountain work and the Santa Isabel field. The Cradle Roll will support the foreign kindergartens.

2. That this Conference have a superintendent for life membership and memorial certificates.

3. That item 2 on the standard of excellence for women and young people be changed to one or more items sent to the Conference editor, and that each society appoint some one for this purpose.

4. That item 4 on woman's standard of excellence be changed to read: List of subscribers to some missionary magazine equal to one-half of membership of society.

5. That the November Thanksgiving offering be used for the Porto Rican reconstruction fund.

The Committee on Apportionments made report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

The Committee on Nominations submits the following report: For President, Mrs. M. L. Bryant; Vice-President, Mrs. W. H. Yates; Secretary, Mrs. L. W. Stagg; Treasurer, Mrs. W. V. Leathers; Superintendent Young People, Mrs. R. T. Bradford; Superintendent Literature, Mrs. J. E. Cartwright; Superintendent Cradle Rolls, Mrs. F. M. Nelson; Superintendent Spiritual Life, Mrs. W. H. Andrews; Superintendent Life and Membership Certificates, Mrs. O. S. Mills; Conference Editor, Mrs. J. W. Fix.

MRS. J. F. MORGAN,
MRS. E. L. BEALE,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your committee, submit the following:

1. That this Conference express its appreciation of the welcome the Suffolk Christian Church has extended this body of women for this session; also the splendid musical numbers rendered, and the bountiful luncheon so splendidly served.

2. That we express our thanks to God for the restoration of our beloved Mission Secretary, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, who is present today.

3. That we extend thanks, with appreciation, to Rev. O. V. Armstrong, missionary to China, for his splendid address; also to Mrs. Sue Smith, missionary to Korea, for her inspiring talk.

4. That we record our thanks and satisfaction in the wonderful work of the officers, societies and members of this Conference, and we recommend that all societies strive to meet the goals set by the Confernce for the coming year.

MRS. J. M. RABEY,
MRS. J. G. HOLLAND,
MRS. J. E. CORBITT,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

The Committee on Place of Meeting accepted the invitation to meet in Franklin next year.

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS,
MRS. A. M. JOHNSON,
Committee.

The reports of the committees were adopted as a whole.

The President announced that the first Young People's Conference of Missions would be held in the Suffolk Christian Church on Friday, December 9th, at 7:30 P. M.

On motion, Conference adjourned, to meet with Franklin Christian Church October 25, 1929. Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. W. STAGG, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Fifteenth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference

SANFORD, N. C., OCTOBER 5, 1928.

MORNING SESSION.

The Fifteenth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Conference of the North Carolina Christian Conference met at the Sanford Christian Church on Friday, October 5, 1928. The session was called to order by the President, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, of Raleigh, N. C.

Hymn, "Am I a Soldied of the Cross?" Prayer, "Self-Denial," Mrs. J. D. Kernodle, Graham, N. C. Hymn, "More Love to Thee."

Enrollment of Churches, delegates and visitors.

Reports of the district leaders:

Alamance—Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, leader, Elon College, N. C.: 13 Churches, 12 organizations, 428 enrollment, 110 Christian missionaries; total amount raised, $1,782.23.

Guilford—Mrs. L. P. Wicker, leader, Greensboro, N. C.: 4 Churches, 8 organizations, 222 enrollment, 30 Christian missionaries; total amount raised, $853.91.

Lee-Chatham—Mrs. Doyle MacFarland, leader, Jonesboro, N. C.: 5 Churches, 5 organizations, 83 enrollment, 8 Christian missionaries; total amount raised, $267.08.

Randolph—Mrs. I. H. Foust, leader, Ramseur, N. C.: 3 Churches, 4 organizations, 90 enrollment, 5 Christian missionaries; total amount raised, $95.35.

Halifax—Mrs. Alfred Hayes, leader, Virgilina, Va.: 6 Churches, 7 organizations, 116 enrollment, 22 Christian missionaries; total amount raised, $219.

Durham-Wake—Mrs. Grady H. Leonard, leader, Chapel Hill, N. C.: 5 Churches, 9 organizations, 208 enrollment, 62 Christian missionaries; total amount raised, $658.

Vance-Franklin-Warren—Miss Margaret Alston, leader, Henderson, N. C. (No report.)

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT.

As Vice-President, I have called one council meeting, the purpose of which was to formulate a program and arrange a schedule for the district meetings. I wrote sixty-nine letters relative to district meetings, and mimeographed and mailed to the district leaders 500 copies of the program.

As secretary of life membership, I submit the following names: Candidates for life membership—Mrs. D. I. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C., R. F. D. 3; Mrs. G. C. Oliver, Raleigh, N. C., R. F. D. 4; Mrs. R. L. Williamson, Sanford, N. C. For honorary life membership—Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C. At this time I will gladly present the certificates.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERTA BOONE HARRELL,
Vice-President, Sec'y of Life Membership.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF RECORDING SECRETARY.

The Woman's Conference of the North Carolina Christian Conference meets annually. Last year it met in Durham, N. C., on October 7th. Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, President, of Raleigh, N. C., Presided. The Conference of thirty-eight Churches is divided into seven districts. Each district holds an annual meeting in April. These meetings have proven very beneficial and are unusually well attended. We have a total of fifty-five organizations, representing 1,250 members, about 300 taking the *Christian Missionary* magazine in their homes.

The following officers were elected at the last meeting: Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C., President; Mrs. J. Stanley Harrell, Durham, N. C., Vice-President and Life Membership Secretary; Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Graham, N. C., Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C., Treasurer; Mrs. M. R. Rives, Graham, N. C., Superintendent of Young People's Work; Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Greensboro, N. C., Superintendent of Cradle Rolls; Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Burlington, N. C., Superintendent of Spiritual Life; Miss Pattie Coghill, Henderson, N. C., Superintendent of Literature.

Forty members were elected as delegates to the Southern Christian Convention, which met in Richmond, Va., on May 1, 1928. Elon College Woman's Society was the banner society for the year.

The financial report for the year—October, 1926, to October, 1927—was as follows:

Woman's Societies	$3,350.79
Young People's Societies	468.85
Junior Young People's Societies	112.95
Willing Workers' Societies	172.48
Cradle Roll Societies	127.02
District meetings	52.32
Conference offering	39.01
Total for year	$4,323.42
Paid Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, General Secretary	4,323.42

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. J. HENDERSON,
Recording Secretary.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

The annual report of the Treasurer of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference for the year ending September 30, 1928:

Woman's Societies	$3,552.66
Young People's Societies	539.48
Willing Workers' Societies	169.30
Cradle Roll Societies	131.30
District meetings	47.28
Conference offering at Sanford	70.65
Total for year	$4,510.67
Paid Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, General Treasurer	4,510.67

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. R. SELLARS,
Treasurer.

Report accepted.

Mrs. Sellars reviewed Treasurer's report for the past ten years, showing growth of the spirit of giving.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

This is to certify that we have examined the books of Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Treasurer of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference for the period beginning October 18, 1927, and ending October 16, 1928. We have checked the receipt stubs against her book and find the total receipts amount to $4,510.67. We have also examined canceled checks and receipts from Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention's Woman's Board, for $4,510.67, showing that Mrs. Sellars has turned over to Mrs. Hardcastle the full amount received.

J. M. FIX,
MARY H. FIX,
Examining Committee.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CRADLE ROLL.

The number of Churches reporting Cradle Rolls remains the same as last year (ten). This does not mean that there are no new Churches added to the list, but, sad to say, some of those of last year have failed to function this year. If ten Churches are able to report something like 300 babies and $131.30, what would be reported if 150 Churches were functioning in the same ratio. These ten reports were special programs for the children. It has been difficult to get reports from the societies for this department, and we trust that another year special cradle report blanks will be available.

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
Superintendent of Cradle Rolls.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LITERATURE.

1. I have been able to keep in touch with the societies and to better distribute the literature, because of field work during the past year. I have attempted to keep the societies informed about the mission study books and literature available. The books and literature were taken to general and local Church meetings, and several notices carried in *The Christian Sun.*

2. I have attended all of the board meetings except the last one held in Raleigh. With Dr. Barrett, our missionary to Porto Rico, I attended all but one of the district missionary rallies. A literature table was arranged for all of these meetings.

3. I sold fifty copies, at 10 cents each, of "The World Friendship Programs" for our Young People's Societies. These were well received and met a real need.

4. I organized a Woman's Society and a Willing Workers' Society at Lebanon Church, Semora, N. C., Sunday, May 20th, and visited the newly organized Auburn Society Sunday, November 27th.

Respectfully submitted,
PATTIE L. COGHILL,
Superintendent of Literature.

Special music: solo, "The Lord is My Light," by Miss Ellis, accompanied by Miss Mary Graham Lawrence.

We were glad to have present and to have a word of greeting from the following ministers: G. O. Lankford, J. E. Kirbye, W. S. Alexander, J. Lee Johnson, J. O. Atkinson, B. J. Howard, G. C. Crutchfield, R. L. Williamson, O. D. Poythress, and Layman J. M. Darden.

Mrs. Vaunghan introduced Mrs. W. M. Jay, of Elon College, for an address on "Stimulating Interest in Missions."

With the Bible as a textbook, said Mrs. Jay, the education of the people in the missionary spirit should be the greatest movement of the Christian Church. To reach success, there must be prayer, earnest and faithful, then true service through preparation and mutual helpfulness.

Song, "Jesus Calls Us," Mrs. J. W. Patton at the piano.

Committees appointed as follows:

Nominating—Mrs. W. P. Lawrence (chairman), Mrs. D. I. Stephenson, Mrs. G. T. Holt, Lucile Mulholland, Mrs. G. W. Gerringer.
Resolutions—Mrs. E. W. Boshart (chairman), Mrs. Chas. N. Johnson, Mrs. E. H. Bray, Mrs. Grady Leonard, Mrs. A. B. McFarland.
Finance—Miss May Gunter, Mrs. W. R. Sellars.
Banner—Mrs. J. J. Henderson (chairman), Mrs. George McCullers, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. George Webster, Miss Ruth Boland.
Place—Miss Nonie Moore (chairman), Mrs. John Green, Mrs. R. B. Coggin.
Press—Mrs. W. M. Jay.

Address, Dr. J. O. Atkinson; subject, "Self-Denial."

1. Damage to our missions in Porto Rico; urgent call for immediate help. "Roads to the City of God."

Announcements: Letter read from Mrs. Williams, president of the General Board, appealing for help for Porto Rico.

Special offertory music by Mr. Sam Davis. (Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davis holding a revival at the Sanford Church at this time.) Offering, $70.50, for Porto Rican relief.

Report of Superintendent of Spiritual Life, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, followed by reverent devotional service led by Mrs. W. H. Boone, of Durham, N. C.

Song, "Jesus, I My Cross have Taken."

Luncheon. (A beautiful and bountiful luncheon was served by the ladies of the Sanford Church. It was announced that the Shallow Well Church and Turner's Chapel had graciously donated cakes and chickens for the luncheon.)

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Scripture by Mrs. Sam Davis, 3rd chapter of Jonah.

Song, "Rescue the Perishing."

Prayer, Dr. W. S. Alexander, Elon College, N. C.

Mrs. Stanley Harrell, Vice-President, presiding. Moved and carried a telegram be sent Miss Margaret Alston, of Henderson, expressing regret that she was unable to attend Conference on account of sickness.

Committees reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance recommended the following goals:

Women's Societies	$3,600.00
Young People's and Willing Workers' Societies	1,050.00
Cradle Roll Societies	200.00
District meetings and special offerings	150.00
Total	$5,000.00

Objectives for 1929 the same as 1928.

MISS MAY GUNTER, *Chairman,*
MRS. W. R. SELLARS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nomniations, beg leave to submit the following report: For President, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Greensboro, N. C.; Vice-President and Secretary of Life Memberships, Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. O. H. Paris, Greensboro, N. C.; Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.; Superintendent of Young People's Work, Mrs. M. R. Rives, Graham, N. C.; Superintendent of Cradle Rolls, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C.; Superintendent of Spiritual Life, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Burlington, N. C.; Superintendent of Literature, Miss Pattie Coghill, Henderson, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. P. LAWRENCE,
MRS. D. I. STEPHENSON,
MRS. C. T. HOLT,
LUCILE MULHOLLAND,
MRS. C. W. GERRINGER,
Committee.

Election by acclamation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BANNERS.

The Banner Committee make the following report: Elon College Woman's Society, first place; Piney Plains Woman's Society, second place; Greensboro Woman's Society and Raleigh Woman's Societies, third place; 10 societies sent in to Secretary "Standards of Excellence."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. J. HENDERSON,
MRS. GEORGE MCCULLERS,
MRS. STEWART,
MRS. GEORGE WEBSTER,
MISS RUTH BOLAND,
Committee.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

The First Christian Church, Burlington, N. C., invites the Conference to meet with them next year, month and day to be fixed later.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS NONIE MOORE, *Chairman,*
MRS. JOHN GREEN,
MRS. R. B. COGGIN,
Committee.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That efforts should be continued in organizing a Missionary Society in each Christian Church in the State; also that a Cradle Roll and other young people's organizations be organized in each Church.

We are grateful for the day that is in harmony with the program and spirit of the Conference.

We are grateful for the invitation from the good people of the Sanford Church and for the cordial welcome we have received from their hands.

We are grateful for the consecrated and capable officers of the Conference, namely: Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, President; Mrs. Stanley Harrell, Vice-President; Mrs. J. J. Henderson, Secretary, and our Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, who has given ten years of service; also for the superintendents of the several departments.

We are glad to have had so many ministers present, and urge that they continue their support in our work.

We wish to express our appreciation of the Conference and for the spirit of good fellowship that prevails.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. W. BOSHART,
MRS. CHAS. N. JOHNSON,
MRS. E. M. BRAY,
MRS. GRADY LEONARD,
MRS. A. B. MCFARLAND,
Committee.

Report accepted.

Moved and carried that addresses and reports of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. W. M. Jay, Mrs. W. H. Carroll and Mrs. W. H. Boone be reported in full in *The Christian Sun.*

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF Y. P. WORK.

As Superintendent of Young People's Work, I wish to make the following report:

I was elected in October, 1927. Having no material of any kind turned over to me by my predecessor, it was some time before I could make any contact with the societies and Churches, but in March I wrote letters to all societies already organized. Then I wrote to all women's societies, asking them to promote young people's work in their Churches. Next, I wrote secretaries of Churches that had no organized mission work. In all, there were 122 letters. I had two replies, both from people whose office had expired.

The 1st of September I sent out letters to the same people, asking what had been done. This time I was more successful, having received ten replies, which were from Biscoe, Wake Chapel, Pleasant Grove, Greensboro, Turner's Chapel, two from Elon College, and four actual reports, one from Sanford and three from Burlington.

I have attended all executive board meetings and one district meeting. I was asked to one other district meeting, but found it impossible to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE HARDEN RIVES,
Superintendent Young People's Work.

Report accepted.

"Cross-Bearing for Young People," by (a) Miss Lucile Mulholland (Elon College Chautauqua); (b) Miss Chase, Raleigh, N. C. (Blue Ridge Conference).

Special music: solo, Mrs. Sam Davis, accompanied by Mr. Davis.

Pageant, "Cluster of American Beauties," given by Miss Ruth Lee Boland, Miss Beulah Morton, of Burlington Young People, assisted by Mrs. Rhodes and Miss Essie Cotton.

Miss Pattie Coghill gave the last inspiring message; subject, "Organizing Young People for Missionary Service."

Benediction by Rev. R. L. Williamson, pastor of Sanford Christian Church.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JOHN J. HENDERSON,
Recording Secretary.

Minutes of Fourth Annual Session of Woman's Missionary Convention of Alabama Christian Conference

Spring Hill Christian Church—Lineville, Ala., Oct. 13, 1928.

MORNING SESSION.

Called to order at 10 A. M. by the President, Mrs. W. M. Melton.
Devotional services by Mrs. V. L. Carter and Mrs. C. W. Carter.
Welcome address by Mrs. Ida Phillips.
Response by Mrs. J. H. Swint.
Minutes of last Conference were read and adopted.
The following were invited to become deliberative members: Revs. J. O. Atkinson, C. W. Carter, W. T. Meacham, G. D. Hunt, Joe French, C. C. Dollar, Miss Pattie Coghill.

Enrollment of Delegates.

Antioch—Mrs. A. I. Landers.
Beulah—Mrs. Teresa Denney, Mrs. G. D. Hunt.
New Harmony—Miss Ruby Orr, Miss Naomi McCormick, Mrs. W. McCormick.
Noon Day—Miss Annie Huey, Mrs. J. F. French.
Roanoke—Mrs. V. E. Kitchens, Mrs. J. H. Swint, Mrs. Paul Beaird.
Roanoke Junior—Misses Addie Belle Sledge, Nellie Rea Sledge, Margaret Hood.
Shady Grove—Mrs. James Dollar.
Spring Hill—Mrs. O. H. Orr, Mrs. T. N. Mitchell, Mrs. C. A. Macoy.
Wadley—Mrs. V. L. Carter, Mrs. C. W. Carter, Mrs. J. T. Gibson, Mrs. J. T. Wilkins.
Wadley Young People—Grady Fuller, Beston Gibson, Gladys Denney, Gladys Gibson, Esther Carter, Eunice Stevens.
Reports of societies.
Reports of district leaders.
Report of Young People's superintendent.
Report of Cradle Roll work.
President's message, "Our Responsibility in Christian Missions."
Message from Mrs. D. P. Barrett.
Address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.
An offering was taken for Porto Rican reconstruction fund, $19.63.
The President appointed committees as follows:
Resolutions—Misses Pattie Coghill, Annie Huey, Nellie Rea Sledge.
Finance—Mrs. O. H. Orr, Mrs. V. E. Kitchens, Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional services by Misses Mabel Cockerel, Ruby Orr.

Address, "Missionary Education for Intermediates," Miss Naomie McCormick.

Address, "Young People's Societies Helpful," Miss Eunice Stevens.

Address, "How to Keep Interest in Our Missionary Societies Twelve Months in a Year," Miss Margaret Hood.

Address, "How to Stimulate Interest in Missionary Work," Miss Nellie Rea Sledge.

Election of Officers:

President—Mrs. W. M. Melton.
Vice-President—Mrs. V. E. Kitchens.
Secretary—Mrs. G. L. Stevens.
Treasurer—Mrs. O. H. Orr.
Superintendent of Young People—Mrs. J. H. Swint.
Superintendent of Willing Workers—Mrs. Paul Beaird.
Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. L. E. Carden.
Superintendent of Literature—Mrs. L. H. Liles.

The goal for 1928-1929 shall be $500. The foreign special, $200, shall go to Japan. The home special, $150, shall go to the Southern Christian Convention home special. The balance, $150, shall be used in our home work within the bounds of the Alabama Christian Conference.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1927. RECEIPTS.

Oct. 10. Balance in treasury	$ 202.60
From societies as follows:	
Antioch, Adult Society	44.20
Beulah, Adult Society	45.15
Corinth, Adult Society	10.00
Dingler's Chapel, Junior Society	5.00
Forest Home, Adult Society	7.50
New Harmony, Junior Society	33.00
New Hope, Adult Society	50.50
Pisgah, Adult Society	26.23
Roanoke, Adult Society	36.80
Roanoke, Junior Society	4.70
Spring Hill, Adult Society	50.25
Wadley, Adult Society	88.06
Wadley, Junior Society	35.97
Churches that have no society:	
Bethany	5.00
Cragford	5.00
Lowell	5.00
Noon Day	5.00
Pleasant Grove	3.75
Offering at Woman's Conference	19.63
Offering at rallies	20.58
Total	$ 708.92

1927.		DISBURSEMENTS.		
Nov.	5.	To J. W. Payne, special home missions	$129.30	
		To J. O. Atkinson, special foreign missions	73.30	
1928.				
Jan.	5.	To J. W. Payne, special home missions	13.78	
Feb.	29.	To A. D. Pate, for printing goals	4.00	
May	1.	To Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, dues	60.93	
		To Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, special foreign missions	22.94	
	17.	To Mrs. V. L. Carter, expense to S. C. C.	20.58	
Aug.	8.	To Robt. McCain, car fare	3.50	
		Mrs. V. E. Kitchens, railroad fare	1.04	
		Mrs. J. H. Swint, railroad fare	1.04	
Sept.	1.	Mrs. J. H. Swint, railroad fare	2.04	
	27.	Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, for J. O. Atkinson L. M.	10.00	
	24.	Ledger	1.00	
Oct.	8.	Mrs. G. L. Stevens, postage	3.00	
		Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, for Porto Rico	11.85	
		Mrs. W. M. Melton, postage	1.50	
		Mrs. O. H. Orr, postage	1.00	
				360.80
Balance in treasury October 13, 1928				$ 348.12

MRS. O. H. ORR,
Treasurer.

Moved and carried that the books of the Treasurer will be closed after October 8, 1929.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, recommend that the board audit the Treasurer's books and that her report be published in *The Christian Sun.*

MRS. O. H. ORR,
MRS. V. E. KITCHENS,
DR. J. O. ATKINSON,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, present the following report—Resolved:

1. That we express by a rising vote of thanks our appreciation to the Spring Hill Church and community for the bountiful dinner and the kind hospitality during the day.

2. That we express our gratitude to Dr. J. O. Atkinson for his splendid message, and others on the program for their fine contribution, and that we express our appreciation to the President, Secretary, Treasurer and other officers of the Woman's Board for their good work during the year and in making this meeting possible.

3. That we continue the work which has had such a fine beginning with our young people, and that we try during the coming year to organize Willing Workers and Young People's Societies in as many Churches as possible.

4. That each society send at least one representative to the Piedmont Junior College Summer School of Christian Education for the 1929 session.

NELLIE REA SLEDGE,
ANNIE HUEY,
PATTIE COGHILL,
Committee.

Adopted.

The next session of the Woman's Missionary Conference of Alabama Christian Conference will be held at Antioch Christian Church, Roanoke, Ala., Saturday before the second Sunday in October.

Adjourned.

MRS. W. M. MELTON, *President.*
MRS. G. L. STEVENS, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the First Annual Session of Virginia Valley Central Woman's Missionary Conference

LINVILLE, VA., AUGUST 2, 1928.

MORNING SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Workers of this Conference met at the above-named place and time in their first separate annual session at 10 o'clock. In the absence of Mrs. B. R. Richards, Mrs. A. W. Andes, Vice-President, presided.

Rev. A. W. Andes led the opening song service. Mrs. Mary Davis, of the Linville Society, read a selection of Scripture and led in prayer.

The Secretary reported that rallies had been held and organizations effected in four of the five districts, as follows:

Greene County District, including Mt. Olivet (G), Christian Chapel, High Point and Island Ford; Miss Cecil Collier, Nortonsville, leader.

Page Valley District, including Newport, East Liberty, Leaksville, Mt. Lebanon, Bethel and St. Peters; Mrs. E. Lena Rothgeb, Luray, leader.

Northern District, including Timber Mountain, Timber Ridge, and Winchester; Mrs. Fred Oats, High View, W. Va., leader.

Rockingham District, including Concord, Mayland, Bethlehem, Beulah, Antioch, Linville, New Hope and Mt. Olivet (R); Mrs. A. S. Turner, Elkton, leader.

The following Churches were represented:

Women's Societies—Linville, New Hope, Winchester, Leaksville, Bethlehem, Dry Run.

Young People's Societies—Antioch, Bethlehem, Winchester, Joppa, New Hope.

Cradle Roll Societies—Antioch, Bethlehem, Linville, Leaksville, New Hope, Dry Run, Winchester.

The following ministers were present: Revs. A. W. Andes, B. J. Earp, W. B. Fuller and W. T. Walters.

The following goals were read and adopted for Women's and Young People's Societies:

WOMEN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S GOALS.

1. An increase of 10 per cent in membership.
2. Average attendance at meetings equal to one-half of the membership.
3. Ten per cent of membership at midyear mission rally.

4 (a) Ten per cent of membership reading one or more missionary books. (b) One hundred missionary articles read by members of society.

5. A missionary cradle roll, either separate or with the Sunday School.

6. Subscriptions to the magazine number of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* equal to at least one-half the families represented in the society.

7. Seventy-five per cent of dues collected.

8. Quarterly reports sent promptly before the 5th of October, January, April and July.

9. Annual offering to literature fund.

10. Thankoffering service held.

Societies reaching all points will be listed as Banner Societies.

Banner Societies this year: Antioch, Young People's; Bethlehem, Women's; Winchester, Women's.

The Young People's superintendent, Mrs. R. A. Larrick, reported 7 societies, 123 members.

The superintendent of Women's Societies, Mrs. R. C. Myers, reported 8 societies, 150 members.

The report of Cradle Rolls was read by the Secretary in absence of Mrs. Noah Painter, the superintendent. There are 6 Cradle Rolls, 113 members.

The Superintendent of Literature, Miss Ella Pickering, reported 4 societies making annual offering to literature fund, 2 using mite-boxes, 6 reading mission articles, 6 reading mission books, 2 mission study classes, 62 families reading magazine number of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty.*

The following committees were appointed:

To Select Officers—Mrs. Roy Hosaflook, Mrs. Willie Strickler and Mrs. Lester Kerlin.

Resolutions—Rev. B. J. Earp, J. E. Bryant and R. C. Myers.

Place for Next Meeting—Mrs. L. J. Anderson, Miss Olive Showalter and Mrs. Sallie Taylor.

Address by Rev. W. B. Fuller, "Making the Whole Church Missionary."

Mr. Roy Hosaflook led closing prayer for noon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Afternoon session was called to order and Mrs. Ernest Spitzer read the 24th Psalm and other missionary passages and led in prayer.

The Superintendent of Spiritual Life, Miss Ora Scott, reported 8 Churches, with 11 societies, have spiritual life superintendents, 5 societies have prayer bands, 6 have definite Bible study, 15 family altars, 58 tithers, 18 Comrades of Quiet Hour.

Miss Verdie Showalter, the Treasurer, reported:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Women's Societies:		
Dues	$125.01	
Specials	102.94	
Mite boxes	4.40	
Thankofferings	58.58	
		$ 290.93
Young People's Societies:		
Dues	$ 65.11	
Specials	17.32	
Thankoffering	79.17	
		161.60
Cradle Roll Societies:		
Dues and offerings		26.69
Rally day offerings		78.52
Literature fund		2.27
Ellen Gustin fund		4.15
Total		$ 564.16

DISBURSEMENTS.

1927.			
Oct.	Check to Mrs. Hardcastle	$ 7.23	
	Cash to Rev. D. P. Barrett	18.00	
Dec.	Check to Dr. W. P. Minton for Rev. D. P. Barrett's expense to one-day school of missions	38.36	
1928.			
Jan.	Check to Mrs. Hardcastle	187.98	
Apl.	Check to Mrs. Hardcastle	86.18	
July.	Check to Mrs. Hardcastle	154.30	
Aug.	Check to Mrs. Hardcastle	72.11	
			$ 564.16

Respectfully submitted,
MISS VERDIE SHOWALTER,
Treasurer.

The Winchester Society gave a play, "The Awakening of Mr. Tightwad."

Rev. A. W. Andes led in prayer.

The Committee to Select Place for Next Meeting recommended Leaksville.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved:

1. That we thank the officers and members of the Woman's Board for their faithful service.

2. That Mrs. B. R. Richards and Mrs. B. F. Frank be thanked for conducting the district rallies.

3. That we express our appreciation to Bro. W. B. Fuller for the splendid address; to Miss Evelyn Cather for presiding at the organ; and to the Winchester Society for the pageant.

4. That by rising vote we express our gratitude to the people of Linville for the splendid dinner served.